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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

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IN RE: JOHNSON & :
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PRODUCTS MARKETING, : MDL

SALES PRACTICES, AND : NO. 16-2738 PRODUCTS LIABILITY : (FLW) (LHG)

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Videotaped deposition of DONALD HICKS, taken pursuant to notice, was held at the law offices of Drinker Biddle & Reath, 105 College Road East, Princeton, New Jersey, beginning at 9:31 a.m., on the above date, before Michelle L. Gray, a Registered Professional Reporter, Certified Shorthand Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter, and Notary Public.

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2	EXHIBITS (Cont'd.)	2	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Good
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4		3	morning. We are now on the
5	NO. DESCRIPTION PAGE	4	record. My name is Darnell Brown
6	Hicks-30 C of A Grade 25 NS 316 (Talc)	5	and I'm the videographer with
7	JNJ 000629320	6	Golkow Litigation Services.
8	Hicks-31 Guilin Guiguang Talc 322	7	Today's date is June 28,
	Development C of A	8	2018, and the time is 9:31 a.m.
9	For Talc Powder	9	This video deposition is
1.0	JNJ 000631364-80	10	being held in Princeton, New
10	Hicks-32 E-mail Thread 326	11	Jersey in the matter of In Re Talc
11	6/24/14	12	for the United States District
	Subject, Escalation	1	
12	JBaby Baby Powder	13	Court for the District of New
	Unspecified	14	Jersey.
13	JNJTALC000369999	15	The deponent is Donald
14 15		16	Hicks.
1 1		17	Counsel will be noted on the
16		18	stenographic record.
17		19	The court reporter is
18		20	Michelle Gray who will now swear
19		21	in the witness.
20 21		22	in the witness.
22			DONALD HIGKS 1
23		23	DONALD HICKS, having
24		24	been first duly sworn, was
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1		1	examined and testified as follows:
2	DEPOSITION SUPPORT INDEX	2	
3		3	MS. SHARKO: Just for the
4		4	
5	Direction to Witness Not to Answer	4	record, Mr. Hicks is being
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2	law firm of Ms. O'Dell that the	2	deposition notices that you're appearing
3	depositions are moving forward.	3	here today to speak to.
4	The topics here overlap and	4	Also I'm going to hand you
5	the deposition may be used in both	5	Exhibit Number 2 which is the deposition
6	cases.	6	notice for Johnson & Johnson. Exhibit 1
7	With that, proceed.	7	is for Johnson & Johnson Consumer, Inc.
8		8	Have you seen those before
9	MS. O'DELL: I'll just for		
10	the record note a couple of things	9	today?
	for the plaintiffs' steering	10	A. I have, yes.
11	committee.	11	Q. I've had an opportunity to
12	One, is this deposition	12	read some prior testimony from you. I
13	here today is being taken, as you	13	understand that you previously appeared
14	mentioned, pursuant to Judge	14	at four depositions is that correct
15	Pisano's February 6th order and to	15	in your career?
16	the degree it's been modified	16	A. Regarding what topic? In
17	since, regarding topics permitted	17	general?
18	to be discovered at this point,	18	Q. In general.
19	composition, testing, samples and	19	A. Approximately four
20	bias, the PSC reserves the right	20	depositions. Yes.
21	to follow up to have follow-up	21	Q. Do you have a memory of
22	depositions, including an	22	another deposition? Let me ask you this
23	individual deposition of this	23	way. Have you been deposed since January
24	witness and others regarding the	24	of this year?
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Page 18 Page 20 1 you want me to repeat the question, I'm 1 it was from 2006 through 2017 when I 2 happy to do that. I'm not going to say I 2 retired. 3 ask the best questions sometimes. So if 3 MS. O'DELL: Susan, are you 4 you have a question, I'm happy to 4 offering Mr. Hicks for -- you did 5 rephrase it. 5 not put a time limit on that particular topic. So are you 6 Second, if you'll just 6 remember to say "yes" or "no" in response 7 offering Mr. Hicks for that 7 to the questions, I would appreciate 8 purpose to testify -- excuse me --8 9 9 testify to all quality assurance procedures employed by J&J? 10 A. Yes, I will. 10 MS. ECHTMAN: Mr. Hicks 11 Q. We talked about the topics 11 to which you are testifying today. 12 12 today, as he said, is going to be Ms. Sharko put that on the record. But prepared to testify from 2006 13 13 to make it more clear rather than to forward on quality assurance. 14 14 15 refer to Roman numerals and numbers of 15 MS. O'DELL: If that's the 16 paragraphs, you are here today to testify 16 case, then I don't think we have 17 that topic covered for the time 17 regarding the entities responsible for the composition and testing of Johnson & 18 frame -- excuse me -- time frame 18 19 Johnson's Baby Powder and Shower to 19 prior to 2006, and we would ask Shower products since 2006, correct? 20 that Johnson & Johnson designate a 20 witness for that purpose. 21 21 A. That's correct, yes. 22 BY MS. O'DELL: Q. And you're here to testify 2.2 Q. I'll ask questions today, 23 regarding the standards and protocols 23 that Johnson & Johnson specified for the 24 Mr. Hicks. And I'll refer to Johnson & 24 Page 19 Page 21 production of its Baby Powder and Shower 1 1 Johnson. When I do that, if we can just 2 to Shower products since 2006, correct? 2 have an understanding I'm referring to 3 both Johnson & Johnson and Johnson & 3 A. Correct. Q. And you're also here today 4 4 Johnson Consumer, Inc. 5 5 to discuss the types of testing that was Can we agree to that? 6 required by Johnson & Johnson in relation 6 A. I think we can agree if 7 to its Baby Powder and Shower to Shower 7 you're referring to the U.S. entities that are called by those names. 8 products since 2006? 8 9 Q. If you have any confusion as 9 A. Correct. 10 you're responding to my question when I 10 Q. You're here today to testify regarding the quality assurance say Johnson & Johnson, I would ask you to 11 11 procedures that Johnson & Johnson and 12 bring that to my attention, but I'm going 12 13 JJCI employed in relation to its Baby 13 to be asking you questions to bind Powder and Shower to Shower products? 14 Johnson & Johnson, Inc., and Johnson & 14 A. That is correct. 15 15 Johnson consumer, Inc. 16 16 O. Now, as I understand it, in Is that understood, sir? 17 relation to that particular topic, there 17 A. Yes, it is. Q. Okay. Thank you. is no time limit, that that is for all 18 18 Also today we'll be looking time. You are here to testify regarding 19 19 Johnson & Johnson's quality assurance at documents that refer to Imerys and 20 2.0 21 procedures relating to Baby Powder and 21 also Imerys' predecessor corporation, Rio Tinto. When I refer to Imerys, can we 22 Shower to Shower; is that correct? 22 23 have an agreement that I'm also referring 2.3 A. That is not my 24 understanding. My understanding was that 24 to Rio Tinto so it's not so messy on the

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1	record, if you will?	1	disclose the substance of the
2	A. I think that's fair. Yes.	2	discussions, but you can talk
3	MR. FERGUSON: Can I object	3	generally about what it is that
4	to the form of that question,	4	you did.
5	please.	5	THE WITNESS: Understood.
6	MS. O'DELL: You may. And	6	BY MS. O'DELL:
7	feel free to object. If there's	7	Q. You may continue, sir.
8	an issue I will try to clarify it	8	A. So so we did meet. We
9	at that time. Thank you.	9	reviewed various documents that are
10	BY MS. O'DELL:	10	germane to this particular case. And had
11	Q. Also, today I'll refer to	11	some discussion about how the deposition
12	talcum powder products. And, Mr. Hicks,	12	would go.
13	I would just like an agreement, when I	13	MS. ECHTMAN: Okay. Thank
14	say talcum powder products I mean Baby	14	you.
15	Powder and Shower to Shower; is that	15	BY MS. O'DELL:
16	is that fair?	16	Q. How many times did you meet
17	A. That is fair, yes.	17	with counsel?
18	Q. Okay, great. Now, in the	18	A. I don't recall the exact
19	notice itself, if you'll have it in front	19	number. There was multiple multiple
20	of you, sir, it doesn't matter which one	20	days. I would have to look at my records
21	you look at, Exhibit 1 or Exhibit 2. If	21	to have an exact number of meetings that
22	you'll turn to Page 11 of the notice,	22	we had in this topic.
23	there were some instructions provided.	23	Q. Was it more than five or
24	Have you seen these	24	less than five meetings to prepare for
	Page 23		Page 25
1	instructions?	1	your deposition?
2	A. Yes, I have. I have read	2	A. I think it was approximately
3	this document.	3	five. Again, I can't indicate the exact
4	Q. Great. Counsel provided me	4	number of days that we met without
5	a copy of your curriculum vitae. So I	5	
6		I	looking at some
6	have that.	6	Q. Over
7	Did you bring with you	6 7	Q. Over A calendar history.
7 8	Did you bring with you copies of the documents you reviewed or	6 7 8	Q. OverA calendar history.Q. Excuse me. Over what time
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7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	Did you bring with you copies of the documents you reviewed or read in preparation for your deposition? A. I did not personally bring them. Q. Okay. What doc did you review documents in preparation for your deposition? A. Yes, I did. Q. Let me just back up and ask you a broader question. What did you do	6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	Q. Over A calendar history. Q. Excuse me. Over what time period did these meetings occur? A. These meetings occurred in the June time period. Q. How long on average were these five meetings that you had with counsel? A. Typically a meeting day would last approximately six hours of discussion time.
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1	January of this year? So since January	1	other preparation in relation to relation
2	of 2018 into the present time, how many	2	to the talcum powder litigation?
3	times have you met with plaintiffs I	3	A. As indicated it would be the
4	mean defense counsel?	4	approximately five days for talc
5	A. I don't really recall the	5	litigation talc litigation in this
6	number of days that we met.	6	case.
7	Q. Can you give me an estimate.	7	There were a number of
8	A. I would say the total number	8	meetings in January, as I indicated
9	of days is in the area of about eight to	9	previously where we met for a for
10	nine days.	10	another case.
11	Q. As I understand it, you met	11	Q. A case that also involved
12	with counsel for Johnson & Johnson	12	talcum powder products?
13	approximately five times in preparation	13	A. Yes, it did.
14	for your deposition here today, and those	14	Q. Are there any other terms to
15	meetings occurred in June. And you met	15	your arrangement with Johnson & Johnson
16	with Johnson & Johnson somewhere in the	16	to provide testimony besides the amount
17	neighborhood of four times, other than	17	that you're being paid per hour?
18	then the specific meetings in June. When	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
19	did those meetings occur?	19	BY MS. O'DELL:
20	A. Those meetings would have	20	Q. You may answer.
21	occurred in January. And I believe that	21	A. Can you provide more
22	there may have been some meetings in late	22	information? I'm not exactly sure what
23	May.	23	you're referring to.
24	Q. Are you being paid for your	24	Q. Well, you're certainly
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1	testimony here today?	1	familiar with contracts, aren't you,
2	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	2	Mr. Hicks?
3	the characterization.	3	A. Yes, I am.
4	MS. O'DELL: Well, let me	4	Q. And they have multiple terms
5	say I'll just rephrase it.	5	typically, true?
6	BY MS. O'DELL:	6	A. That is true.
7	Q. I mean, are you being paid	7	Q. Yes. And so we talked about
8	for your time to be here today to testify	8	the amount that you're being paid per
9	on behalf of Johnson & Johnson?	9	hour. And you've testified that you are
10	A. Yes, I am.	10	being paid \$200 per hour. And my
11	Q. And what's the rate of your	11	question is, are there any other terms
12	compensation?	12	related to your agreement with Johnson &
13	A. It is discussed to be	13	Johnson besides the amount that you're
14	approximately \$200 per hour.	14	being paid per hour?
15	Q. And do you have a contract	15	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
16	documenting your compensation arrangement	16	THE WITNESS: No, there is
17	with either Johnson & Johnson or counsel	17	not. May I just, from a record
18	for Johnson & Johnson?	18	point of view, indicate that for
19	A. I do not. It was a verbal	19	the Ratcliff case, which the
20	agreement.	20	deposition was taken in January, I
21	Q. Okay. Have you been paid?	21	was not paid at that time for that
22	A. I have not.	22	particular testimony.
23	Q. Approximately how many hours	23	BY MS. O'DELL:
	1 4 1 11 41 41 4	24	Q. But you've been paid for
24	have you spent in either meetings or in	4 1	Q. But you've occil pala for

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1	other meetings in January and for your	1	A. I have had phone
2	meetings since that time, and you are	2	conversations with members of Johnson &
3	being paid for your testimony here today?	3	Johnson, yes.
4	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	4	Q. And who have you spoken
5	the characterization of being paid	5	with?
6	for testimony.	6	A. Susan Nicholson. Dr. Susan
7	THE WITNESS: For	7	Nicholson.
8	beginning with this particular	8	Q. When did you speak with
9	case, yes, there's a verbal	9	Dr. Nicholson?
10	agreement that there would be	10	A. It was the end of May,
11	compensation. For the January	11	beginning of June.
12	work, there was no agreement at	12	Q. How many times have you
13	that point.	13	spoken with Dr. Nicholson about your
14	(Document marked for	14	participation in this case?
15	identification as Exhibit	15	A. Just a brief conversation,
16	Hicks-3.)	16	once.
17	BY MS. O'DELL:	17	Q. What did you discuss?
18	Q. Let me pass to you what I'm	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
19	marking as Exhibit Number 3, Mr. Hicks	19	Just caution the witness not to
20	thank you which is a copy of your	20	disclose any privileged
21	A. Are you finished with these?	21	information with those
22	Q. Yes, sir. You may put that	22	discussions. But factual
23	aside.	23	information is fine.
24	A. Thank you.	24	MS. O'DELL: Well, the
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1	Q. I've handed to you a copy of	1	discussions are not protected by
2	the curriculum vitae that was provided to	2	the attorney/client privilege. So
3	us.	3	I'm entitled to ask him about what
4	Is this an up-to-date	4	they discussed.
5	curriculum vitae?	5	MS. ECHTMAN: As long as he
6	A. It is up-to-date. Yes.	6	did not communicate
7	Q. Mr. Hicks, a couple more	7	attorney/client privileged
8	questions before I ask you about your CV.	8	information.
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9	Did you speak with anyone at	9	MS. O'DELL: I'm entitled to
9 10	Did you speak with anyone at either Johnson & Johnson or Johnson &	10	MS. O'DELL: I'm entitled to know what you discussed.
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1	meetings with counsel for Johnson &	1	Dr. Nicholson about your involvement in
2	Johnson?	2	this case?
3	A. No.	3	A. I did not. The conversation
4	Q. Did you speak with any other	4	we had was a live phone call
5	employees regarding the topics that	5	conversation.
6	you're here to testify about today?	6	Q. Now, when you retired from
7	A. Relative to this case, no.	7	Johnson & Johnson, what was your
8	Q. Did you speak with them	8	position?
9	about any other talcum powder related	9	A. I was senior director of
10	cases?	10	quality assurance for the consumer
11	A. I have not.	11	division of Johnson & Johnson.
12	Q. Were there any other	12	Q. And did your
13	employees excuse me strike that.	13	responsibilities include North America
14	Were there any employees of	14	plus global responsibilities?
15	Johnson & Johnson present at your	15	A. I had responsibility
16	meetings with counsel in preparation for	16	primarily for the North America and U.S.
17	your deposition?	17	operation relative to the quality of baby
18	A. No.	18	products in general.
19	Q. Did you ask for any	19	However, I was also assigned
20	documentation or information from Johnson	20	responsibility for handling questions
21	& Johnson to prepare for your testimony	21	regarding baby products around the globe
22	here today?	22	and would interact with my peers on a
23	A. I did not ask for any	23	global basis if needed.
24	documentation.	24	Q. And just so the record is
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1	Q. Now, you are a former	1	clear, when you refer to baby products,
2	long-time employee of Johnson & Johnson?	2	are you also referring to Shower to
3	A. That's correct. 42 years.	3	Shower in addition to Baby Powder?
4	Q. You began your career at	۱ ،	
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1	you about your educational background and	1	Q. And that's scanning electron
2	training. Don't mean to spend time, but	2	microscopy?
3	I need to understand what you're trained	3	A. Correct.
4	for and what your education was focused	4	Q. And that's not a discipline
5	on and what you've not had training in.	5	that you have expertise in?
6	You have a BS in chemistry?	6	A. It's not a discipline that I
7	A. I do, yes.	7	have expertise in in terms of actually
8	Q. You do not have a	8	conducting the test, yes.
9	postgraduate degree?	9	Q. You're not qualified to
10	A. I do not.	10	conduct that test, correct?
11	Q. You're not a medical doctor?	11	A. That is correct.
12	A. That is correct.	12	Q. You have not published
13	Q. You are not a geologist?	13	papers in any scientific literature
14	A. That is correct.	14	regarding the testing of talcum powder?
15	Q. Nor are you a mineralogist?	15	A. I have not.
16	A. That is correct.	16	Q. Other than the meetings that
17	Q. You are not an industrial	17	we've discussed with counsel for J&J and
18	hygienist?	18	the telephone conversation with
19	A. That is correct.	19	Dr. Nicholson, have you done anything
20	Q. In regard to testing, you	20	else to prepare yourself for your
21	have never analyzed a talcum powder	21	testimony here today?
22	sample by x-ray diffraction?	22	A. I have not.
23	A. That's correct.	23	Q. Mr. Hicks, I understand that
24	Q. You have never analyzed a	24	you have formed a consulting firm called
	Q. Tou have hever unaryzed u		you have formed a consuming firm caned
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1	talcum powder sample by polarized light	1	DLH; is that correct?
2	microscopy?	2	A. It's DLH Quality and
3	A. Correct.	3	Compliance Consulting. That is correct.
4	Q. You have never analyzed a	4	Q. Sorry. I didn't mean to cut
5	talcum powder sample using what's called	5	off the name of the company.
6	TEM?	6	Are you actively consulting
7	A. That is correct.	7	with individuals now on quality control
8	Q. You are not qualified to	8	and quality assurance?
9	analyze a sample using TEM, correct?	9	A. I have done some very
10	A. That is correct.	10	limited consulting work for some
11	Q. You have not analyzed a	11	companies who are not Johnson & Johnson.
12	sample of talcum powder by selected area	12	Q. Are they in the cosmetic
13	electron diffraction?	13	industry?
14	A. That is correct.	14	A. They are in the cosmetic
15	Q. That's often referred to as	15	industry, yes.
16	SAED, correct?	16	Q. And what are the names of
17	A. Yes, it is.	17	those companies?
18	Q. That's not something that	18	A. It was Cosmetic Essence
19	you have expertise in?	19	Innovations, and a company called OceanX
20	A. It is not.	20	which is a fulfillment sector business.
21	Q. By the same token you have	21	Q. And what type of products
22	not analyzed a talcum powder sample by	22	does Cosmetic Essence manufacture or
23	SEM?	23	market?
24	A. That's correct.	24	A. Primarily it's cosmetic

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1	products, creams, lotions typically.	1	ensuring that the processes are in place
2	Q. Are you actively consulting	2	within the companies to ensure that its
3	for them?	3	talcum powder products are safe?
4	A. I am not actively consulting	4	A. I would agree with that,
5	for them at this point. Our contract has	5	yes.
6	been completed and there's no further	6	Q. Would you agree, Mr. Hicks,
7	work planned at this point.	7	that asbestos can cause cancer in humans?
8	Q. You said Ocean Ocean	8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
9	company?	9	Outside the scope. And if he can
10	A. OceanX. Ocean with an X at	10	answer, he can do it in his
11	the end.	11	personal capacity.
12	Q. Okay. And what type of	12	THE WITNESS: It is really
13	company are they?	13	outside of my scope in terms of
14	A. They are a fulfillment	14	being able to answer that.
15	center where a consumer would call, place	15	BY MS. O'DELL:
16	an order, and they would get filled.	16	Q. As a quality assurance
17	That order would then get filled, shipped	17	witness here today to speak on behalf of
18	to the consumer.	18	Johnson & Johnson and Johnson & Johnson
19	Q. Is your work with ocean X	19	Consumer, Inc., who had 40-some-odd years
20	ongoing?	20	with J&J, you are not willing to say that
21	A. No. It is also complete at	21	asbestos is capable of causing cancer?
22	this point.	22	That's outside of your expertise?
23	Q. Mr. Hicks, would you agree	23	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
24	with me that Johnson & Johnson is	24	It's outside of the scope of the
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1	responsible for ensuring that its talcum	1	topics that Mr. Hicks has been
2	powder products are safe?	2	designated on. And I think we
3	A. Yes, I do agree with that.	3	already established that he is not
4	Q. Do you agree with me that	4	a medical doctor or toxicologist.
5	Johnson & Johnson, from 2006 to the	5	But I'll allow him to answer the
6	present day, has a zero tolerance for	6	question in his personal capacity.
7	asbestos in its Baby Powder products?	7	MS. O'DELL: Well, Mr
8	A. I would agree with that,	8	let me just speak to the
9	yes.	9	objection.
10	Q. I'll say it a little	10	Mr. Hicks is here today to
11	differently. Johnson & Johnson has a	11	talk about the testing protocols
12	zero tolerance policy for asbestos in its	12	that were employed for the talcum
13	talcum powder products?	13	powder products which included
14	A. That is correct.	14	asbestos. So it's well within the
15	Q. I spent some time on the	15	scope of his testimony to ask him,
16	Johnson & Johnson website in looking at	16	is asbestos a dangerous compound
17	various principles that Johnson & Johnson	17	that causes cancer.
18	espouses. And would you agree with me	18	MS. ECHTMAN: So objection.
19	that Johnson & Johnson is committed to	19	It is outside the scope. What
20	good manufacturing practices in its	20	asbestos can and cannot cause and
21	talcum powder products?	21	under what circumstances, is
22	A. Yes, I do.	22	outside the scope. He can talk
23	Q. Would you agree that	23	about the testing within the scope
24	Johnson & Johnson is responsible for	24	for asbestos. But what asbestos
1	1	I	

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1	can and cannot do, he's not a	1	scope. I'll allow Mr. Hicks to
2	medical doctor or toxicologist.	2	answer in his personal capacity if
3	But I'll allow him to answer the	3	he can.
4	question in his personal capacity.	4	THE WITNESS: Also the same
5	THE WITNESS: I am aware	5	response, I'm not able to answer
6	that asbestos can cause	6	the question.
7	mesothelioma.	7	BY MS. O'DELL:
8	BY MS. O'DELL:	8	Q. You don't know one way or
9	Q. Is mesothelioma a type of	9	the other?
10	cancer?	10	MS. ECHTMAN: Same
11	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. He	11	objection.
12		12	THE WITNESS: I don't know
13	can answer in his personal	13	
	capacity.	14	enough about the details to be
14	THE WITNESS: As I said, I'm		able to provide a meaningful
15	not a medical professional. And I	15	answer.
16	would leave that discussion to	16	BY MS. O'DELL:
17	them.	17	Q. Are you aware, Mr. Hicks
18	BY MS. O'DELL:	18	and I'm asking you this in your capacity
19	Q. As a quality assurance	19	as a corporate representative here for
20	professional person at Johnson & Johnson	20	Johnson & Johnson that chromium has been
21	who served as the senior director of	21	determined to cause cancer in humans?
22	quality assurance, was your job to ensure	22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection as
23	that there were procedures in place to	23	outside the scope, and I will
24	prevent dangerous contaminants from being	24	allow Mr. Hicks to answer in his
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1	in talcum nowder products?	1	
1 2	in talcum powder products?	1 2	personal capacity.
2	A. It was my responsibility to	2	personal capacity. THE WITNESS: Again, its
2 3	A. It was my responsibility to have oversight of the individuals working	2 3	personal capacity. THE WITNESS: Again, its ability to cause cancer is outside
2 3 4	A. It was my responsibility to have oversight of the individuals working on those in those areas.	2 3 4	personal capacity. THE WITNESS: Again, its ability to cause cancer is outside the scope of what I'm able to
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2	THE WITNESS: To the best of	2	you became responsible for talcum powder
3	my recollection, no.	3	products. What specifications controlled
4	BY MS. O'DELL:	4	tale?
5	Q. Have you seen documents from	5	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
6	J&J, or J&J employee, or during your time	6	form.
7	as an employee of J&J that discuss the	7	THE WITNESS: There were raw
8	dangers of nickel in talcum powder	8	material specifications for talc.
9	products?	9	And those raw materials
10	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. He	10	specifications, which were J&J
11	can answer in his personal	11	documents, defined the
12	capacity.	12	requirements for talc.
13	THE WITNESS: I have not	13	BY MS. O'DELL:
14	specifically. Again, the	14	Q. Well, what raw material
15	toxicologists and the medical	15	specification was controlling, if you
16	professionals would be focused on	16	will, when you became responsible for
17	those kinds of issues.	17	Baby Powder and Shower to Shower?
18	BY MS. O'DELL:	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. If
19	Q. Have you seen documents that	19	you'd like to show the witness a
20	discuss the determination of IARC	20	document.
21	regarding the cancer causing propensities	21	MS. O'DELL: He's here to
22	of asbestos, nickel, arsenic, or	22	testify to specifications. That's
23	chromium?	23	a clear part of the notice. And
24	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. He	24	so I'm asking what specification
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1	can answer in his personal	1	was controlling. It's a very good
2	capacity.	2	question. It's very well within
3	THE WITNESS: Relative to	3	the scope. So I'd like an answer.
4	IARC, that information is really	4	MS. ECHTMAN: Well, I just
5	communicated to our medical folks,	5	have an objection.
6	to our toxicologists for review.	6	BY MS. O'DELL:
7	I've seen documents that	7	Q. What specification was
8	where they may have published or	8	controlling when you became responsible
9	had sent around. It's not really	9	for talcum powder products?
10	within my area of expertise, and I	10	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
11	don't really recall any specifics.	11	Overly broad and vague, and this
12	BY MS. O'DELL:	12	is also not a memory test. If
13	Q. You certainly remember	13	you'd like to show the witness a
14	documents from your time at J&J that	14	document, that would probably be
15	discuss the danger of asbestos being in	15	more helpful.
16	talcum powder products?	16	MS. O'DELL: The witness
17	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	17	spent five days all day preparing
18	form.	18	for his deposition on a very
19	THE WITNESS: I certainly	19	limited number of topics. And I'm
20	recall having discussions about	20	sure you discussed specifications.
21	asbestos and its hazard, and, yes,	21	BY MS. O'DELL:
22	I do recall those.	22	Q. I'm asking you if you
			remember.
23	BY MS. O'DELL:	23	
23 24	BY MS. O'DELL: Q. Mr. Hicks, beginning in	24	Do you know what

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1	specification was controlling in 2006?	1	2006 until your retirement?
2	A. There is a raw materials	2	A. It was not.
3	specification for tale, which was in	3	Q. At some point was the raw
4	effect in 2006.	4	material specification changed?
5	Q. Do you know what it was?	5	A. It was changed, and that's
6	A. The specific number and	6	in the time frame of 2009.
7	version history, I don't recall that	7	Q. Do you have any reason to
8	offhand. I would have to look at the	8	believe that Raw Material 8031 was not in
9	document.	9	effect until from 2005 until it was
10	(Document marked for	10	the change you've mentioned in 2009?
11	identification as Exhibit	11	A. It may have been. These
12	Hicks-4.)	12	documents often get revised. I'm not
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	sure whether there are any subsequent
14	Q. Let me show you what I'm	14	revisions between 2005 and 2009. There
15	marking as Exhibit 4. Do you recognize	15	may have been.
16	this document?	16	Q. And as you're sitting here
17	A. Yes, I do.	17	today, you do not know what the
18	Q. Is this a document that was	18	specifications were that were controlling
19	produced by Johnson & Johnson?	19	from 2006 until 2009?
20	A. It is.	20	A. Well, I can say that it was
21	Q. The title is "RM 08031 talc	21	RM 08031. I just can't say that this is
22	Grade 25 USP." Is that correct?	22	the latest version that covered that time
23	A. That's correct. However, I	23	period.
24	would add in that it's Revision 7, just	24	Q. Do you have any reason to
	Page 55		Page 57
1	so we're clear with this document.	1	believe that it was materially changed
2	Q. Was this document produced	2	excuse me, that RM 08031 was materially
3	and maintained in the regular course of	3	changed from 2005 till 2009?
4	business?	4	A. It's very possible. The
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2	considered approved to provide ore for	2	Can I ask for a clarification?
3	processing in grade 25/Guangxi Number 2a	3	When you're talking about Page 6,
4	talc." How would you pronounce the next	4	there's two sets of numbers on the
5	word? Guiguang?	5	page.
6	A. That's correct. It's very	6	MS. O'DELL: I'm using the
7	close.	7	lower one.
8	Q. And there's a Zhizhuo quarry	8	MS. ECHTMAN: Page 6 of 18?
9	and Longguang Guping quarry, and a Huamei	9	MS. O'DELL: Yes.
10	underground mine, Shang Lang quarry,	10	MS. ECHTMAN: Thanks.
11	Tongzi quarry, all in the Longsheng	11	BY MS. O'DELL:
12	County, Guangxi Province of China.	12	Q. Mr. Hicks, you
13	Do you see that?	13	approximately how much talc was shipped
14	A. Yes, I do.	14	to Houston from China on a monthly basis
15	Q. Was Baby Powder and Shower	15	for use in talcum powder products?
16	to Shower sourced from all of those	16	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
17	mines?	17	You can answer.
18	A. During that specific time	18	THE WITNESS: From my
19	period from 2006 to 2017, my knowledge is	19	perspective it was in multiple
20	that all of these mines were not used,	20	tons. The exact tonnage, I don't
21	and that there were primary mines, being	21	recall.
22	the Guangxi mine.	22	BY MS. O'DELL:
23	Q. So it's your understanding	23	Q. And we are talking thousands
24	throughout the time period 2006 to 2017	24	of tons on a monthly basis, correct?
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1	that Guangxi was the mine from which talc	1	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
2	was extracted for purposes of supplying	2	THE WITNESS: I could only
3	Johnson & Johnson with talc for its Baby	3	speculate on that.
4	Powder and Shower to Shower products?	4	BY MS. O'DELL:
5	A. That's my understanding,	5	Q. During the 2006 to 2017 time
6	yes.	6	frame, multiple rail cars per month were
7	Q. I'm going to ask you about	7	shipped from Houston to PTI Royston, the
8	the testing that was part of the	8	bottling company, correct?
9	specification, Mr. Hicks. But I think	9	A. That is correct.
10	one of the things you have to consider	10	Q. And those rail cars had the
11	when you are testing is the amount of	11	capacity for 60-plus tons of material,
12	product that you're dealing with.	12	true?
13	One of my colleagues is	13	A. I don't recall the tonnage
14	going to talk with you about sampling at	14	that a rail car can hold at this
15	some point over the next two days. I'm	15	juncture.
16	not going to speak to that topic. But I	16	Q. But that but would it be
17	do think it's helpful to understand sort	17	fair to say, looking at this, that if the
18	of the amount of material that's being	18	average bag of material in a rail car,
19	dealt with.	19	according to this document, was
20	So if you look at Page 6 of	20	25 pounds do you see that, per cubic
21	this document, it appears that well,	21	foot?
	let me say 3.2 discusses bulk density.	22	A. Yes.
22	set me say 5.2 diseases sam density.		
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talc from Houston to Royston on a monthly 11 to humans, correct?	· ·
12 basis? 12 MS. ECHTMAN: Object	ion.
MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. 13 Outside the scope. I'll allow	
Foundation. 14 to answer in his personal	
15 BY MS. O'DELL: 15 capacity.	
16 Q. True? 16 THE WITNESS: There	
A. Multiple rail cars were 17 certainly is a safety concern f	or
being delivered to the Royston, Georgia 18 arsenic. But I would also poi	
19 facility. 19 out that arsenic is required to	
20 Q. Let me ask you to back up 20 tested by the United States	
one page in this document to Page 5 of 21 Pharmacopeia.	
22 18. You'll see 3.0 is entitled 22 BY MS. O'DELL:	
certificate of analysis. Do you see 23 Q. Because it's a danger to	
24 that, sir? 24 humans, correct?	

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1	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	1	unique ore lot would be an ore lot that
2	Outside the scope. I'll let him	2	was pulled from the mines, set aside for
3	answer in his personal capacity.	3	Johnson & Johnson and Imerys, and was
4	THE WITNESS: I would agree	4	then an ore lot that was put on a ship
5	that high levels of arsenic could	5	and sent over. That became a unique ore
6	be an issue.	6	lot.
7	BY MS. O'DELL:	7	Q. How large is a unique ore
8	Q. And when you mean issue,	8	lot as it's used in this context?
9	it's a danger to humans, correct?	9	A. Again, it's in tons. I
10	A. Correct.	10	don't recall the exact number.
11	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	11	Q. It says, "A certificate of
12	form.	12	analysis labeled initial ore results
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	after grinding will be" "will provide
14	Q. Because heavy metals at high	14	numerical analytical results."
15	levels also are a danger to humans, there	15	When was this certificate of
16	was a requirement that the talc be tested	16	analysis provided to J&J in the
17	for heavy metals, correct?	17	manufacturing process?
18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
19	You can answer in your	19	form.
20	personal capacity.	20	THE WITNESS: So it would be
21	THE WITNESS: Yes, that's	21	provided in advance typically of a
22	correct. Tale is a natural	22	rail car coming into the Royston,
23	material, and so it was agreed	23	Georgia facility.
24	that we would do that. We would	24	BY MS. O'DELL:
	Page 67		Page 69
1	do a heavy metals testing in	1	Q. In this specification, 3.14
2	addition to those tests that were	2	and 3.15, do those contain the testing
3	defined by the United States	3	methods for asbestos that were
4	Pharmacopeia.	4	controlling in 2006 to 2009?
5	BY MS. O'DELL:	5	A. Yes. Here it defines the
6	Q. There was testing for lead	6	testing methods that are to be used.
7	because high levels of lead in a product	7	Q. And those are the methods
8	can be a danger to humans, correct?	8	that were dictated and required by J&J,
9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	9	correct?
10	Mr. Hicks can answer in his	10	A. It was methods that were
11	personal capacity.	11	agreed upon between Imerys and Johnson &
12	THE WITNESS: Yes.	12	Johnson, yes.
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	Q. And J&J required them; that
14	Q. Let me ask you to turn to	14	was part of the specification, true?
15	Page 7. What was the purpose of the	15	A. Yes, they did.
16	certificate of analysis for initial ore	16	Q. I'm going to ask you about
17	results?	17	those processes in more detail, but
18	A. So that testing that C of	18	looking down at the bottom of Page 7 of
19	A reflected the testing that was	19	18 of Exhibit 4, there was another
~ ~	performed on a composite sample across	20	certificate of analysis labeled, "Yearly
20		21	composite results by atomic absorption or
21	the ore lot that was received by Imerys.	1	
21 22	Q. What's what's meant by a	22	equivalent method."
21		22 23 24	equivalent method." Do you see that? A. Yes, I do.

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1	Q. What was the purpose of that	1	BY MS. O'DELL:
2	testing?	2	Q. And that's the only lab that
3	A. So that testing, the atomic	3	Johnson & Johnson ever engaged to conduct
4	absorption testing typically would be	4	testing on its talcum powder products?
5	used for a metal determination, for	5	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
6	example.	6	THE WITNESS: It's the
7	Q. And that testing was only	7	only it's the only lab that I'm
8	required yearly, true?	8	aware of, yes. I might just
9	A. For the items listed below	9	clarify, in a production capacity.
10	that paragraph, yes.	10	BY MS. O'DELL:
11	Q. Which would be for aluminum,	11	Q. What do you mean by a
12	cadmium, and calcium?	12	production capacity?
13	A. That's correct.	13	A. There may have been research
14	Q. Would it also be true	14	and development studies going on for
15	that if you'll turn over to Page 9,	15	
16		16	various types of projects prior to that.
17	that for chromium, cobalt, copper,		I would have no knowledge of that.
	manganese excuse me magnesium,	17	Q. From a quality assurance
18	mercury, nickel, arsenic, and lead were	18	standpoint, testing tale that had been
19	only required to be tested on a yearly	19	mined in China and for purposes of use in
20	basis, true?	20	J&J talcum powder products, the only lab
21	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	21	that J&J employed was RJ Lee Group?
22	form.	22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
23	THE WITNESS: That was the	23	2006 forward.
24	requirement of this document.	24	THE WITNESS: From 2006
	Page 71		Page 73
1	Yes.	1	forward, my understanding is that
2	BY MS. O'DELL:	2	
2 3	BY MS. O'DELL: O. Mr. Hicks, from beginning in	2 3	is correct.
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2	time in 2009, to the best of your	2	identification as Exhibit
3	knowledge; is that is that accurate?	3	Hicks-5.)
4	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	4	BY MS. O'DELL:
5	THE WITNESS: So that	5	Q. Let me show you what I'm
6	particular document number was in	6	marking as Exhibit Number 5.
7	effect. There were multiple	7	Do you recognize this
8	revisions of this document	8	document?
9	ongoing. As situations change,	9	A. Yes, I do.
10	information needs to be updated.	10	Q. Is this the specification
11	BY MS. O'DELL:	11	that replaced specification RM 08031?
12	Q. And was that specification	12	A. It is the specification, and
13	rendered obsolete and a new specification	13	we are talking about RM 008967. This
14	adopted in 2009 time period?	14	happens to be the first revision so there
15	A. That is correct.	15	would have been a document prior to this
16	Q. And what was the number of	16	one, a version prior to this one.
17	•	17	Q. And this first revision
18	that new raw materials specification? MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. Do	18	became effective March 24, 2010?
19	<u> </u>	19	
20	you want to show the witness a	20	A. That is correct.
	document? Or do you want him to		Q. And just to make sure I'm
21	give you the number off the top of	21	clear, this would have been the
22	his head?	22	controlling raw materials specification
23	MS. O'DELL: I want him to	23	for talc to be used in Baby Powder and
24	tell me what specification. He	24	Shower to Shower products at that time?
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1	obviously has it in his memory	1	A. That is correct.
2	because he's referred to it. I	2	Q. Okay. So there's not
3	want to know what number it is.	3	another raw materials specification
4	This is my chance to ask him	4	related to tale that would also have had
5	questions on behalf of Johnson &	5	implications for Baby Powder and Shower
6	Johnson, and he's here to talk	6	to Shower?
7	about the specifications.	7	A. None that I'm aware of, no.
8	BY MS. O'DELL:	8	Q. Let me ask you to turn to
9	Q. And so Mr. Hicks, the	9	Page 4 of 15. Take a look at 2.0,
	question for you is, do you know what the	10	"Properties and requirements." There's a
	number of the specification was?	11	table.
12	A. I don't recall the exact	12	Do you see that, sir?
	number of that specification.	13	A. Yes, I do.
14	Q. Does the number 8967 ring a	14	Q. And this table is intended
	bell?	15	to outline the required test method that
16	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	16	should be used for a particular
17	THE WITNESS: That may be	17	component, true?
18	the correct number. I would have	18	A. That is correct.
19	to verify it with the actual	19	Q. And to provide the upper
	document.	20	limit of normal for the individual
20		21	property that's being tested, correct?
21	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Excuse me		
21	ama aaaamd C1	1 22	MC ECUTIMANIC Objection to
22	one second, Counsel.	22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
	one second, Counsel. Can you raise your mic, Mr. Hicks. Thank you.	22 23 24	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to form. THE WITNESS: That is

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1	correct.	1	for at Johnson & Johnson for the
2	BY MS. O'DELL:	2	drafting of this raw materials
3	Q. And if you'll turn to the	3	specification?
4	next page. The acceptable limit for	4	A. Primary responsibility was
5	lead, for example, was ten parts per	5	with the research and development team.
6	million. Am I reading that correctly?	6	Q. Did the strike that.
7	A. Yes, you are.	7	Who in the research and
8	Q. And what does NMT stand for?	8	development team was primarily
9	A. Not more than.	9	responsible for raw material
10	Q. Not more than. And so	10	specifications for tale?
11	Johnson & Johnson specified that it's	11	A. Individual?
12	tale would not have more than ten parts	12	Q. Yes.
13	per million of lead, correct?	13	A. At this point in time there
14	A. That is correct.	14	was a scientist. His name was Curtis
15		15	
16	Q. And similarly Johnson & Johnson dictated that its talc should not		Lee.
		16	Q. And so Mr. Lee would have
17	have more than two parts per million of aluminum?	17	had responsibility for developing this
18		18	raw materials specification, true?
19	A. That is correct.	19	A. In collaboration with both
20	Q. And the maximum amount of	20	Imerys and other members within Johnson &
21	arsenic that was allowed in its talc,	21	Johnson, yes. He was the primary owner
22	according to the specification, was two	22	of the document.
23	parts per million, correct?	23	Q. Were you involved in the
24	A. Yes.	24	drafting of these specifications?
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2	the testing of the ore while it was at	2	manufacturer was Pharmaceutical
3	the mine in China?	3	Technologies Incorporated, located in
4	A. That would be Imerys.	4	Royston, Georgia.
5	Q. What responsibility did the	5	Q. And in 2010, talc was being
6	Chinese mining company have for testing	6	used for Baby Powder, correct?
7	the ore while it was at the mine?	7	A. That's correct, yes.
8	A. They they were certainly	8	Q. And talc was also being
9	responsible to do testing of their own	9	purchased by Johnson & Johnson for use in
10	mine. Those records were not sent to us.	10	Shower to Shower in 2010, correct?
11	Imerys was doing the testing for	11	A. That is correct, yes.
12	Johnson & Johnson.	12	Q. And the Shower to Shower
13	Q. Did J&J receive certificates	13	product was not manufactured in Royston,
14	of analyses from the Chinese mining	14	Georgia, was it?
15	company?	15	A. It some manufacturing was
16	A. No, they did not.	16	occurring in Royston, Georgia to the best
17	Q. So J&J was not copied on	17	of my knowledge.
18	testing that was performed in China?	18	Q. Was there also manufacturing
19	A. That's correct.	19	in Union City, Missouri?
20	Q. Did J&J dictate the specific	20	A. There was a very limited
21	test that should be done by the mining	21	time frame where a specialized product
22	company in China?	22	was manufactured in St. Louis. I should
23	A. No. Imerys dictated those	23	say specialized Shower to Shower, just to
24	requirements based upon the specification	24	be clear.
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1	Page 83 that we provided to Imerys to evaluate	1	Page 85 Q. Working through this
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	that we provided to Imerys to evaluate		Q. Working through this
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2	THE WITNESS: That is	2	independent lab was used by them and
3	correct.	3	reported on their C of A whenever they
4	BY MS. O'DELL:	4	used an independent lab.
5	Q. The certificate of analysis	5	Q. What was the name of that
6	was conveyed to the Pharma Tech separate	6	independent lab?
7	and apart from the shipment, correct?	7	A. It was a laboratory called
8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	8	Intertek.
9	THE WITNESS: It would have	9	Q. And what type of testing did
10	been sent it might have been	10	Intertek perform for Imerys?
11	sent electronically. It might	11	A. Without looking at the C of
12	have been sent via mail directly	12	A, I believe that it was the analysis
13	to the site. It usually did not	13	of both the chemical analysis as well
14	accompany the rail car itself.	14	as evaluating for asbestos.
15	BY MS. O'DELL:	15	Q. So when you said a chemical
16	Q. Who was responsible for	16	analysis, would it be all of the tests
17	reviewing certificates of analysis?	17	that are listed in the properties and
18	A. At the receiving point it	18	requirements section of this
19	would have been the quality assurance	19	specification, the ones we've talked
20	unit.	20	about previously on Page 5 and 4 and 5
21	Q. At Pharma Tech?	21	of this document?
22	A. At Pharma Tech.	22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
23	Q. Was Johnson & Johnson	23	form, and this is not a memory
24	provided copies of certificates of	24	test. Go ahead.
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2	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	2	Pharma Tech perform on the talcum powder?
3	form.	3	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
4	THE WITNESS: Johnson &	4	THE WITNESS: So the testing
5	Johnson did not audit that	5	performed would have been
6	particular laboratory.	6	appearance, density, particle
7	BY MS. O'DELL:	7	size, and microbiological content.
8	Q. Did Johnson & Johnson	8	BY MS. O'DELL:
9	receive copies of the results of testing	9	Q. So in other words, testing
10	performed by Imerys on post milling	10	for arsenic, testing for would not
11	product?	11	have occurred at Pharma Tech?
12	A. Yes.	12	A. That is correct.
13	Q. Was that a requirement that	13	Q. Testing for asbestos did not
14	all post milling testing results be	14	occur at Pharma Tech?
15	provided to Johnson & Johnson?	15	A. That is correct.
16	A. Yes, it was.	16	Q. Testing for nickel was not
17	Q. Were all testing results	17	performed at Pharma Tech at the time the
18	from tests conducted by Intertek required	18	talcum powder was being placed in the
19	to be provided to Johnson & Johnson?	19	bottles and finished, if you will?
20	A. I'm not sure I can answer	20	A. That's correct.
21	all. What I can answer is that testing	21	Q. Testing for, in the same way
22	that Intertek performed, which was	22	for chromium, lead, heavy metals was not
23	required by our specification, would have	23	performed at Pharma Tech?
24	been then reported for production of	24	A. That's correct.
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1	sent those quarterly samples to?	1	latest information about the raw
2	A. That is the RJ Lee Group.	2	materials specifications that is
3	Q. And RJ Lee was the only lab	3	currently in effect?
4	that Johnson & Johnson employed to test	4	A. I did not personally
5	samples from 2006 until the present date?	5	investigate.
6	A. That is correct. Yes.	6	Q. But you have no reason to
7	Q. And the data that was	7	believe it's changed?
8	gleaned from the testing, the quarterly	8	A. That's correct.
9	testing by RJ Lee, it was generated for	9	(Document marked for
10	informational purposes only, correct?	10	identification as Exhibit
11	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	11	Hicks-6.)
12	form.	12	BY MS. O'DELL:
13	THE WITNESS: It was	13	Q. Let me show you what I'm
14	generated for review, not for	14	going to mark as Exhibit 6 and ask you to
15	release.	15	identify that for the record, please.
16	BY MS. O'DELL:	16	A. So this is a raw materials
17	Q. And by virtue of the fact	17	specification for talcum powder. It is
18	that it was not generated for release	18	numbered as RM 008967. It's revision
19	purposes, that means that the Baby Powder	19	three. It was issued in March 24th of
20	product continued forward through the	20	2011.
21	manufacturing process at Pharma Tech and	21	Q. And as your in your
22	then onto the shelves of grocery stores	22	capacity as senior director of quality
23	and Target and Walmart around the country	23	assurance, you would have contributed to
24	without the testing from RJ Lee having	24	the creation of this document, true?
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1		1	A. Yes.
2	any impact on that process, true? MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	2	Q. And this was created in the
3	form.	3	normal course of business?
4	THE WITNESS: Yes, that is	4	A. Yes, it was.
5	true.	5	Q. And from your review, it
6	BY MS. O'DELL:	6	appears to be a true and accurate copy of
7	Q. Would it be fair to say,	7	that raw materials specification?
8	Mr. Hicks, RM 08967 was the controlling	8	A. It does.
9	specification, in one version or	9	Q. And this raw material
10	another I understand it was amended,	10	specification would have been the
11	you know, periodically. But that	11	controlling specification for North
12	particular raw material number was the	12	America and Baby Powder and Shower to
13	controlling specification for tale from	13	Shower?
14	2009 until you retired in 2017?	14	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
15	A. Yes, it was.	15	form. You can answer.
16	Q. Do you have any information	16	THE WITNESS: Yes.
17	to suggest that RM 008967 is not in	17	BY MS. O'DELL:
18	effect today?	18	Q. Mr. Hicks, looking at, I
19	A. I have no information that	19	want to make sure that you've got in
20	it has been replaced or superseded.	20	front of you Exhibit 6.
21	Q. And as a part of your	21	A. Yes.
22	preparation for testifying on behalf of	22	Q. Okay. Just to make sure.
23	Johnson & Johnson and JJCI, did you	23	If you'll look on Page 9 of 12 of
24	investigate to determine who had the	24	Exhibit 6.
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2	this time in 2011 is still yearly samples	2	THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.
3	are tested for chromium, arsenic, nickel,	3	BY MS. O'DELL:
4	and lead, correct?	4	Q. And that was a new
5	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	5	requirement as of this revision of the
6	form.	6	
7	THE WITNESS: My	7	raw material specification in 2011?
8	understanding at this point is		MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. Lack of foundation.
9	that testing for those items were	8 9	MS. O'DELL: Let me finish
10	being done per ore lot.	10	
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12	Q. When did that change?	12	
13	•		Q. That was a new requirement
14	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	13 14	of the testing frequencies and
	form. BY MS. O'DELL:		requirements section of the
15		15	specification, true?
16	Q. You testified earlier that	16	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
17	those tests were being done on a yearly	17	Lack of foundation.
18	composite?	18	THE WITNESS: In I can't
19	A. Yes, that's what the 2005	19	say whether it's only whether
20	specification that we reviewed indicated.	20	this was the first revision that
21	Q. When did it change that	21	it appeared, without looking back
22	those tests for those components were	22	further at the prior documents.
23	performed on a unique lot basis?	23	BY MS. O'DELL:
24	A. Certainly by 2009 when this	24	Q. Would it be safe to say that
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2	true?	2	Exhibit Number 4, was became effective
3	A. That is correct.	3	in April of 2005 shortly before the 2006
4	Q. And there was no requirement	4	time frame, true?
5	that there be a confirmation of linkage	5	A. Yes, that is true.
6	to a certificate of analysis to a	6	Q. And you have no reason to
7	quarterly ore lot until that time frame,	7	believe that it was not in effect in 2006
8	true?	8	when you became responsible for the
9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	9	talcum powder products and for the time
10	THE WITNESS: I would have	10	period that you're here to speak to
11	to look through the specifications	11	today, correct?
12	between 2006 and 2009 to confirm	12	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
13	that.	13	THE WITNESS: Well,
14	BY MS. O'DELL:	14	actually, I have reason to believe
15	Q. Well, you testified	15	that it probably was updated.
16	previously that the specifications for	16	These documents were updated
17	talcum powder did not change until Raw	17	pretty frequently. It was very
18	Material 008967 was instituted in the	18	likely that it was updated in
19	2009 and 2010 time frame.	19	2006-2007 time period.
20	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	20	BY MS. O'DELL:
21	Misstates the testimony.	21	Q. But the new specification,
22	THE WITNESS: I'm not sure	22	sort of the major overhaul, if you will,
23	how that question is applicable to	23	of the raw materials specification
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2	Q. Is that correct?	2	You can answer.
3	A. It is correct. Yes.	3	THE WITNESS: It does say,
4	Q. And if you will turn, I'm	4	"The certificate shall include the
5	assuming you're familiar with this,	5	ore shipment identification
6	having been provided it by counsel, but	6	number," so that infers that in
7	if you turn to the back there's no	7	fact there is a hard linkage
8	requirement that there be a linkage	8	between the milled talc and the
9	between the certificate of analysis and	9	ore lot and the C of A.
10	an ore lot, correct?	10	BY MS. O'DELL:
11	MS. ECHTMAN: I'd ask the	11	Q. There's no there is no
12	witness to please look at the	12	requirement that there be a confirmation
13	entirety of the document.	13	of the linkage of the certificate of
14	MS. O'DELL: Don't	14	analysis to the quarterly lot testing
15	counsel don't coach the witness	15	that is included in specifications in
16	please, Counsel. It's object to	16	later years, true?
17	the form, and let him answer the	17	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
18	question.	18	form. Foundation.
19	MS. ECHTMAN: Okay. He has	19	THE WITNESS: If I
20	the right to understand that he's	20	understand your question
21	got the right to look at the	21	correctly, I believe that there is
22	entirety of the document.	22	a direct correlation on the C of
23	MS. O'DELL: It's sitting	23	A's between the testing results
24	before him. I'm sure he	24	and the ore lot that was tested
	before him. Thi sure he		
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2	there be let me start again.	2	MS. O'DELL: The letter does
3	That paragraph does not	3	not dictate that you cannot object
4	contain the language, "Confirm linkage of	4	for a nonresponsive answer. It
5	certificate of analysis to quarterly ore	5	says you won't be argumentive.
6	lot testing," true?	6	And I'm certainly not being
7	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	7	argumentive argumentive in my
8	form.	8	comments to Mr. Hicks.
9	THE WITNESS: I think that	9	MS. SHARKO: Well, I
10	exact language is not included in	10	disagree with that. I disagree
11	this document. However, the	11	
12	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	12	with your interpretation of the
	intent of what is in the document		order. But you're burning up your
13	is equivalent to the meaning of	13	own time with unnecessary
14	that particular statement, which	14	objections. To the extent that
15	is in the new specification for	15	they become even more harassing or
16	talc.	16	onerous, then we can call the
17	MS. O'DELL: Move to strike	17	judge.
18	after "the intent."	18	MS. O'DELL: Well, I think
19	BY MS. O'DELL:	19	the record will be clear, Susan.
20	Q. Did you write that	20	I've not been harassing Mr. Hicks.
21	paragraph, Mr. Hicks?	21	I've been very courteous and
22	A. It depends which document	22	cordial. And to suggest otherwise
23	we're talking about. If we are talking	23	is completely incorrect.
24	about the RM 08031 Revision 8, I did not	24	Why don't we take it's
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3	Q. And does this notebook	3	all raw materials coming in to a
4	contain all of the controlling raw	4	manufacturing site but from a GMP
5	materials specifications that were in	5	point of view would be required to be
6	effect from 2006 to the present?	6	quarantined.
7	A. Yes, it does.	7	Q. That's not my question
8	Q. I'd like for you to turn to	8	though. We are not talking about general
9	Tab 6 of the notebook. It's the	9	GMP, Mr. Hicks, as you know. We're
10	specification that was issued on March	10	talking about specific specifications for
11	the 24th, 2011.	11	Baby Powder as instituted by J&J. And
12	Do you see that?	12	there's no requirement in the
13	A. Yes, I do.	13	specification that was issued on
14	MR. SILVER: Leigh, is there	14	March 24, 2011, to quarantine material
15	a Bates number at the bottom?	15	until testing is complete, correct?
16	MS. O'DELL: Yes, that's	16	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
17	fair. It's JNJMC 00122446.	17	form.
18	BY MS. O'DELL:	18	THE WITNESS: That is
19	Q. This specification applied	19	correct. That would be covered
20	to a talc that was used in Baby Powder as	20	under a standard operating
21	well as talc that was used in Shower to	21	procedure for the site.
22	Shower, correct?	22	BY MS. O'DELL:
23	A. Yes.	23	Q. What standard operating
24	Q. And I'm sure during your	24	procedure are you referring to?
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3	March 24, 2011?	3	O. Does Johnson & Johnson have
4	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	4	copies of Pharma Tech standard operating
5	form.	5	procedures for use in the manufacture of
6	THE WITNESS: Well, it it	6	its Baby Powder and Shower to Shower
7	normally would not be in such a	7	products?
8	document. It would normally be in	8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
9	an SOP. There is a statement	9	THE WITNESS: In general,
10	here, if I could read that.	10	the PTI SOPs would remain at the
11	BY MS. O'DELL:	11	PTI site.
12	Q. The answer to my question is	12	BY MS. O'DELL:
13	no, isn't it, Mr. Hicks?	13	Q. So the answer to my question
14	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	14	is no, Johnson & Johnson does not have
15	Let the witness finish his answer,	15	copies of standard operating procedures
16	please.	16	for Pharma Tech?
17	THE WITNESS: Actually, I	17	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
18	believe that it is very clear in	18	THE WITNESS: They're not
19	here that you need to complete the	19	kept in our control document
20	requirements prior to release.	20	system.
21	BY MS. O'DELL:	21	BY MS. O'DELL:
22	Q. Where are you reading?	22	Q. As a part of your duties as
23	A. Under Section 5.0,	23	senior quality assurance, did you ever
24	acceptance. There's a statement which	24	have occasion to review all of the
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2	Q. Excuse me, sir. How many	2	of baby products and there was another
3	times was PTI audited during that time	3	group. There was a quality head of third
4	period?	4	parties, third-party manufacturing.
5	A. I don't have the exact	5	So they're doing the process
6	number, sorry.	6	of auditing, taking care of issues. You
7	Q. Was it one time?	7	know, my role was oversight of the baby
8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	8	products business and its products.
9	Asked and answered.	9	Q. And because PTI was bottling
10	THE WITNESS: Were they	10	Baby Powder, by virtue of what you just
11	audited? Yes. If that's your	11	described, you would have been ultimately
12	question.	12	responsible for that audit, correct?
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
14	Q. I'm trying to get a sense of	14	THE WITNESS: Well, I think
15	were they audited once or more than once?	15	it is a shared responsibility with
16	A. I don't remember the exact	16	my peer who was in charge of the
17	time. I can tell you that the policy in	17	external manufacturing quality
18	general was every two to three years.	18	group.
19	Depending on the outcome of the prior	19	BY MS. O'DELL:
20	audit.	20	Q. Well, let me ask it sort of
21	Q. Did you participate in an	21	differently to make sure.
22	audit or order an audit of PTI?	22	You would have had you
23	A. No, nor would I.	23	would have responsibility for any audit
24	Q. It would be the standard	24	of PTI, at least in some part from 2006
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3	also the quality agreement that we had	3	MS. ECHTMAN: If you look at
4	with that particular external	4	the very bottom, just to make see
5	manufacturer.	5	if you have the document that has
6	Q. And you don't have	6	these Bates numbers, 8597 at the
7	Johnson & Johnson you're here to speak	7	very bottom.
8	for Johnson & Johnson today does not	8	THE WITNESS: Well, 8597,
9	have a copy of the standard operating	9	yes. Okay. I thought you were
10	procedures for Pharma Tech in its filing	10	referring to the specification
11	cabinets. You told us that, right?	11	number. Sorry.
12	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	12	BY MS. O'DELL:
13	THE WITNESS: There may be	13	Q. And this is the raw material
14	some. But it was not routine	14	specification 008967 that was issued on
15	practice to take all their SOPs	15	July 3, 2012, correct?
16	and put them in our filing	16	A. That's correct.
17	cabinet.	17	Q. Okay. That's all I was
18	BY MS. O'DELL:	18	asking.
19	Q. And you've not seen them?	19	A. Yeah, I just wanted to make
20	A. I personally have not seen	20	sure we were on the same page.
21	them, no.	21	Q. The if you'll turn, sir,
22	Q. And so to the degree you're	22	to Page 9 of 9. You see the table
23	talking about a standard operating	23	"Testing Frequencies and Requirements"?
24	procedure for Pharma Tech, that would be	24	A. Yes, I do.
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1	agreed to that, correct?	1	recollection, I'll allow him to
2	A. Yes. I say yes, but I have	2	answer.
3	not looked.	3	THE WITNESS: I did review
4	Yes.	4	documents that were associated
5	Q. Let me ask you to set the	5	with the testing, yes.
6	notebook aside, Mr. Hicks. I want to ask	6	BY MS. O'DELL:
7	a few follow-up questions from our	7	Q. And what were those
8	discussion this morning. You mentioned	8	documents?
9	that the documents that counsel had	9	A. So that was it was
10	provided to you in the notebook in	10	referenced in here.
11	Exhibit 7 were documents that you'd used	11	TM 7024, "Asbestos by
12	to refresh your recollection for your	12	transmission electron."
13	testimony here today; is that true?	13	Q. Any others?
14	A. That is true that I've	14	MS. ECHTMAN: I'm going to
15	looked at those documents, yes.	15	object to the extent that they
16	Q. Were there any other	16	refreshed his recollection or
17	documents that you reviewed for purposes	17	incorporated in the
18	of refreshing your recollection for your	18	specifications.
19	testimony?	19	THE WITNESS: Yeah.
20	MS. ECHTMAN: Let me just	20	MS. O'DELL: Please don't
21	clarify that unless it actually	21	coach the witness.
22	refreshed his recollection, the	22	MS. ECHTMAN: I'm not.
23	collection of documents that	23	MS. O'DELL: Yes, you were.
24	counsel chose to show the witness	24	MS. ECHTMAN: No, I
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1	are privileged. So I'll let the	1	MS. O'DELL: Let him answer
2	witness answer to the extent that	2	the question, please.
3	a document did refresh his	3	MS. ECHTMAN: No, I'm just
4	recollection.	4	saying the parameters of where I
5	BY MS. O'DELL:	5	think the privilege is, that if he
6	Q. You reviewed documents in	6	can disclose to the extent that
7	preparation for your deposition, didn't	7	it's in the specifications or if
8	you, Mr. Hicks?	8	it refreshed his recollection.
9	A. I did.	9	I'm not coaching. I'm delineating
10	Q. And in terms of those	10	the extent of the privilege that
11	documents, were there documents there	11	we're asserting.
12	that refreshed your recollection in	12	BY MS. O'DELL:
13	preparation for your testimony today?	13	Q. All I asked of you is I
14	A. I think that these documents	14	didn't ask you about specifications,
15	were reviewed, and you know, looking at,	15	other than the notebook previously. The
16	you know, some of the specifics clearly	16	question that I'm asking now, did you
17	helped my recollection over the basic	17	review documents regarding testing that
18	information contained in those documents.	18	refreshed your recollection? You told us
19	Q. Did you review testing	19	about TM 7024. Were there any others?
20	procedures to refresh your recollection	20	A. Also the CTFA, Cosmetic
21	prior to your testimony?	21	Toiletry Fragrance Association methods.
22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	22 23	I'm not sure I'm in alignment with
23 24	Again, to the extent that a	23	refreshing my memory. Certainly reviewed them.
∠+	document actually did refresh his	4 1	uiciii.

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1	Q. CTFA method J4-1 is a method	1	referred to as polarized light
2	for testing for the presence of asbestos,	2	microscopy, or PLM.
3	correct?	3	Q. So CTFA J4-1 prescribed
4	A. Yes, it is.	4	first that the material is examined under
5	Q. CTFA J4-1 was the method	5	XRD, correct?
6	that J&J specified for the testing of	6	A. Yes.
7	asbestos for the time period 2006 to	7	Q. And then thereafter, if
8	2017, true?	8	there is suspicious material,
9	A. It's one of the methods,	9	essentially, to review it under polarized
10	yes.	10	light microscope or PLM?
11	Q. Let me ask you take a look	11	A. That is the protocol it
12	at what I'm marking as Exhibit 8.	12	provides.
13	(Document marked for	13	Q. What is the detection limit
14	identification as Exhibit	14	for XRD?
15	Hicks-8.)	15	A. It varies by the type of
16	BY MS. O'DELL:	16	equipment, the experience of the
17	Q. Is that the document that	17	interpreter. Typically it is
18		18	acknowledged that somewhere between .1 to
19	you reviewed to refresh your recollection about CTFA J4-1?	19	.5 percent.
20		20	<u> </u>
	A. It's a document that I	21	Q. And, in fact, some sources
21 22	reviewed to ensure that my memory was in	22	suggest that or state that XRD's
	fact accurate, yes.		detection limit is .1 to 1 percent.
23	Q. What's your understanding of	23 24	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
24	the CTFA J4-1 method for testing for	24	BY MS. O'DELL:
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1	asbestos, Mr. Hicks?	1	Q. Is that true?
2	A. Could you clarify the	2	A. I have not seen it stated as
3	statement? In terms of what aspect?	3	1 percent.
4	Q. In general. What's your	4	Q. Do you hold out RJ Lee as an
5	what's your understanding of the	I –	4
		5	authoritative source from your
6	procedure or methodology dictated by CTFA	6	perspective on the XRD testing method?
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1	was looking for a page number, but I'll	1	A. Yes.
2	have to give you a Bates number at the	2	Q. And you see below it, it has
3	bottom. The Bates number ending 5310.	3	PLM. What's the detection limit for PLM,
4	Do you see that?	4	Mr. Hicks?
5	A. Yes, I do.	5	A. It's indicated as 1 percent
6	Q. And the source excuse me.	6	by RJ Lee.
7	The title of this PowerPoint slide is	7	Q. And at .1 percent detection
8	"Analytical Detection Limits," correct?	8	limit for XRD, that is a detection limit
9	A. That's correct.	9	of a thousand parts per million, true?
10	Q. And the source for this	10	A. That's correct.
11	data, according to the PowerPoint, is the	11	Q. Mr. Hicks, with a detection
12	RJ Lee Group?	12	limit of .1 percent, for both XRD and
13	MS. SHARKO: Wait. Time	13	well, for XRD, if a test of talc detects
14	out. All the each page of mine	14	material less than .1 percent or if it's
15	has the same Bates number. But	15	present in trace levels, it does not mean
16	above the Bates number there's a	16	that and the test results are
17	pale gray number.	17	negative, that doesn't mean that the ore
18	MS. O'DELL: Well, this is	18	is free of asbestos, does it?
19	a you're talking about this	19	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
20	is something that was produced to	20	Hypothetical.
21	us in native form, PowerPoint	21	THE WITNESS: It meets the
22	only.	22	nondetectable limitation of the
23	MS. SHARKO: I'm not I'm	23	equipment that's being used yes.
24	not quarreling with you. I just	24	BY MS. O'DELL:
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1	want to you referred him to a	1	Q. It does not mean that
2	Bates number, but all the pages	2	asbestos is not present in that sample?
3	have the same Bates numbers. So I	3	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
4	want to make sure everybody is on	4	BY MS. O'DELL:
5	the same page.	5	Q. True?
6	MS. O'DELL: Fair, fair,	6	A. XRD in and of itself, no.
7	fair. This was not produced in	7	Q. So my statement was true?
8	PDF. So there's only one Bates,	8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
9	and it's in the file name.	9	BY MS. O'DELL:
10	MS. SHARKO: If you look	10	Q. I just don't want us to be
11	right above it there's page	11	cross talking on the record because of
12	numbers.	12	the way you answered the question.
13	MS. O'DELL: Okay. Thank	13	My question is, just because
14	you, Susan.	14	there's a negative test does not mean
15	BY MS. O'DELL:	15	that there is not asbestos below the
16	Q. Do you see it? It's 7, Page	16	detection limit of .1 true?
		17	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
17	7 excuse me Page 7.	1	
18	A. Yes, I do see it.	18	THE WITNESS: There's a
18 19	A. Yes, I do see it.Q. Okay. And the source of	18 19	THE WITNESS: There's a theoretical possibility.
18 19 20	A. Yes, I do see it.Q. Okay. And the source of this information is the RJ Lee Group,	18 19 20	THE WITNESS: There's a theoretical possibility. BY MS. O'DELL:
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18 19 20 21 22	A. Yes, I do see it. Q. Okay. And the source of this information is the RJ Lee Group, correct? A. That's correct.	18 19 20 21 22	THE WITNESS: There's a theoretical possibility. BY MS. O'DELL: Q. It's more than theoretical, isn't it? You said that the testing

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1	material would be less than .1, true?	1	A. That's true.
2	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	2	Q. The proposal is being made
3	THE WITNESS: If you simply	3	because XRD and PLM can only detect at
4	look at XRD by itself in	4	.1 percent, correct?
5	isolation, it's a theoretical	5	A. It well it depends on the
6	possibility, yes.	6	equipment, the capability of the
7	BY MS. O'DELL:	7	individual, the number of samples that
8	Q. So the answer to my question	8	are looked at. And so the detection
9	is yes?	9	limit is dependent on many factors. If
10	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	10	you look at a single sample, those are
11	THE WITNESS: Yes.	11	the standards that are typically
12	BY MS. O'DELL:	12	referenced.
13	Q. Would you agree that TEM is	13	Q. And indeed, that's the
14	the gold standard for testing for	14	standard that RJ Lee referenced, is .1 to
15	asbestos?	15	1 percent for XRD and 1 percent for PLM,
16	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	16	correct?
17	form.	17	A. That's correct.
18	THE WITNESS: I have heard	18	Q. And as a part of this
19	it called the gold standard.	19	justification for the proposal, in
20	Again, doing only TEM in isolation	20	addition to the detection limit, this
21	is would not be recommended.	21	states, "TEM is capable of PPM, or parts
22	So you need to do a multitude of	22	per million, detection depending on
23	testing to look for asbestos.	23	sample size and permits chemical analysis
24	BY MS. O'DELL:	24	and verification of a detected fiber."
1	Q. And that testing would	1	Did I read that correctly?
2	include TEM, certainly?	2	A. Yes.
3	A. It would.	3	Q. It goes on to say, "Not part
4	Q. And government agencies,	4	of compendia requirements, but known"
5	academia, researchers, and others refer	5	"TEM is known by government agencies,
6	to TEM as the gold standard for asbestos	6	academia, researchers, and NGOs to be the
7	detection; is that a correct statement?	7	gold and standard for asbestos
8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	8	detection."
9	THE WITNESS: I have not	9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
10	seen government officials citing	10	form.
11	that it was the gold standard and	11	BY MS. O'DELL:
12	the primary standard to look for	12	Q. Is that what that says?
13	asbestos.	13	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
14	BY MS. O'DELL:	14	form.
15	Q. Well, certainly, if you turn	15	THE WITNESS: That's what it
16	over to Page 13 of this document, a	16	says. Your original question was
17	proposal is being made for the future of	17	do government agencies refer to
18	TEM testing application.	18	TEM as the gold standard.
19	Do you see that?	19	I have not heard that ever
20	A. Yes, I do.	20	used that term used in
21	Q. And this proposal is being	21	reference to TEM by any government
22	made for the testing of Baby Powder	22	agency.
23	Johnson & Johnson's Baby Powder products,	23	BY MS. O'DELL:
24	true?	24	Q. I think you misheard me.
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1	You said referred. I said known, which	1	to be a potential hazard in the
2	is exactly what this states, is that TEM	2	right form at the right levels.
3	is known as the gold standard. Are we in	3	BY MS. O'DELL:
4	agreement on that statement?	4	Q. And a hazard that causes or
5	A. I think that we agree that	5	can cause cancer, true?
6	TEM is highly valued by individuals, by	6	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
7	experts outside of or relative to	7	You can answer in your personal
8	government agencies, academia,	8	capacity.
9	researchers, et cetera.	9	THE WITNESS: I think it's
10	It's the term "gold," I	10	well documented from my
11	think I've never heard that in a document	11	perspective that it can cause
12	that I've seen from anybody on the	12	mesothelioma.
13	outside.	13	BY MS. O'DELL:
14	Q. You've never heard the term	14	Q. Which is cancer?
15	"gold standard"?	15	MS. ECHTMAN: Again, in his
16	A. I've heard it in the context	16	personal capacity.
17	of discussing it with management, yes.	17	BY MS. O'DELL:
18	But I've not heard it from external	18	Q. Which is cancer?
19	individuals saying it is the gold	19	MS. ECHTMAN: Same
20	standard.	20	objection.
21	Q. J&J considered TEM to be the	21	BY MS. O'DELL:
22	gold standard for detection of asbestos	22	Q. You may answer.
23	in talc?	23	A. I know it as mesothelioma.
24	A. Yes. It's not the only	24	I don't refer to it as cancer.
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1	method.	1	Q. You know it is a type of
2	Q. What had happened prior to	2	cancer, though, Mr. Hicks, don't you?
3	June of 2011 that would have generated a	3	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
4	discussion of the testing of asbestos in	4	And he can answer in his personal
5	talc?	5	capacity.
6	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	6	THE WITNESS: Yeah, I'm not
7	THE WITNESS: Prior to that	7	the medical expert in this area,
8	time period or around the time	8	and I would defer to our medical
9	period, there were claims by other	9	experts.
10	global government agencies about	10	BY MS. O'DELL:
11	talc and questions about talc	11	Q. You are a 40-year employee
12	relative to asbestos. And so it	12	of Johnson & Johnson. Counsel keeps
13	became a very important management	13	objecting saying that you can answer in
14	topic to review.	14	your personal capacity, but not your
15	BY MS. O'DELL:	15	professional capacity as a representative
16	Q. And the reason it became a	16	of Johnson & Johnson.
17	very important topic is because asbestos	17	What you know about talc and
18	is known to be very hazardous to humans,	18	asbestos and talc is from your experience
19	true?	19	as a 40-plus-year employee at Johnson &
20	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	20	Johnson, true?
21	Outside the scope. You can answer	21	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
22	in your personal capacity.	22	THE WITNESS: Yes.
23	THE WITNESS: Yeah,	23	BY MS. O'DELL:
24	certainly asbestos is well known	24	Q. And that knowledge was
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1	obtained in your professional capacity,	1	identification as Exhibit
2	true?	2	Hicks-10.)
3	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	3	BY MS. O'DELL:
4	THE WITNESS: Yes.	4	Q. I've handed you Exhibit 10.
5	BY MS. O'DELL:	5	Is that a copy of Test Method 7024?
6	Q. And it was part of your	6	A. It is, yes.
7	expertise as a quality assurance member	7	Q. And is the purpose of this
8	of management to ensure that Johnson &	8	test method to explain the quantification
9	Johnson's Baby Powder and Shower to	9	of asbestiform minerals in powdered talc?
10	Shower did not contain hazardous	10	MS. ECHTMAN: Object to
11	material, true?	11	form.
12	A. That is	12	THE WITNESS: Yes, using a
13	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	13	transmission electron microscopy.
14	form.	14	BY MS. O'DELL:
15	THE WITNESS: That is	15	Q. And if you look down at
16	correct, part of my	16	Paragraph 6, Mr. Hicks, it provides a
17	responsibilities. I might add	17	limit of quantifiable detection.
18	that it's also the responsibility	18	Do you see that?
19	of many others within J&J, other	19	A. Yes, I do.
20	groups.	20	Q. And it states that, "The
21	BY MS. O'DELL:	21	detection of five or more asbestiform
22	Q. In addition to CTFA Method	22	minerals of one variety in an analysis
23	J4-1 being the testing method required by	23	constitutes a quantifiable level of
24	Johnson & Johnson for the testing of	24	detection."
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2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	asbestos, there was also a testing method called 7024, correct? A. Yes. Q. And what is 7024? A. Test Method 7024 defines the transmission electron microscopy test method for asbestos in talc. Q. And specifically 7024 controls the way that asbestos fibers are counted for purposes of TEM testing, true? MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to form. THE WITNESS: Yes, it does include that. BY MS. O'DELL: Q. Let me show you what I've marked as Exhibit Number 9: MR. SILVER: I think it should be 10. MS. O'DELL: Let me have that back, sir. We'll mark it as	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	Did I read that correctly? A. Yes, it does. Q. In other words, in order for there to be a quantifiable level of asbestos in a particular sample, there had to be five or more fibers of the same type of asbestos, true? A. Provided that the definition of quantifiable is that is that as an analytical chemist you're able to identify and report the amount that is there. You may still report on one fiber. But if you want to report the amount, then calculate it, you need five fibers to get that a meaningful result in terms of the amount that would be there. Q. And meaningful according to this particular test method? A. Yes. Q. In other test methods, you'll agree with me that one fiber is

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1	form.	1	Q. That according to 7024
2	THE WITNESS: Well, not only	2	would be a one fiber would be below
3	other test methods, but also this	3	the quantifiable detection limit.
4	one. If you're looking at what is	4	Finding one fiber of asbestos according
5	reportable, a single fiber is	5	to 7024 would be below the quantifiable
6	reportable. If you want to report	6	detection limit?
7	how much, what percentage of	7	A. I'm not I disagree with
8	material of the material is	8	that strongly. This whole section talks
9	asbestos, you need at least five	9	about being able to determine the amount
10	fibers in order to do a proper	10	in terms of a percentage or parts per
11	calculation.	11	million or a weight percentage of the
12	BY MS. O'DELL:	12	number of fibers that you found that are
13	Q. And if there were two fibers	13	asbestos in your product so you can
14	of one type of asbestos and one fiber	14	record it as two parts per million with
15	or three fibers of another type of	15	some degree of reliability. And that's
16	asbestos, under this protocol, that would	16	what this paragraph is referring to.
17	not be reported as a quantifiable level	17	Q. Even one fiber, according
18	of detection?	18	to excuse me, let me start again.
19	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	19	Even one fiber would exceed
20	form.	20	Johnson & Johnson's policy of no asbestos
21	THE WITNESS: It's the	21	in its talcum powder products, true?
22	the Section 6.0 talks about the	22	A. That is correct, yes. Our
23	amount, not whether you've	23	standard is not detectable. Even a
24	detected it. It talks about the	24	single fiber would cause that to be an
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1	amount that you've detected. If	1	issue.
2	you found one fiber, that would be	2	Q. You testified earlier that
3	a detected level of asbestos and	3	in addition to RJ Lee that you would
4	would be reported as such.	4	defer to Imerys and its employees as
5	BY MS. O'DELL:	5	experts in the testing of talc for
6	Q. Well, in fact, the method	6	asbestos?
7	states that the detection of five or more	7	A. Yes.
8	asbestiform minerals of one variety in an	8	Q. Do you know an individual by
9	analysis constitutes a quantifiable	9	the name of Julie Pier?
10	level. That's what the specification	10	A. I have spoken with that
11	states.	11	individual, yes.
12	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. Go	12	Q. And did you speak with her
13	ahead.	13	during your employment with Johnson &
14	THE WITNESS: In order to	14	Johnson?
15	calculate the mass or the	15	A. Yes, I did.
16	percentage or the quantity of the	16	Q. And do you respect Ms. Pier
17	asbestos, if it was detected, you	17	and her expertise as a person who tests
18	would need at least five fibers in	18	talc for asbestos?
19	order to accurately quantify the	19	A. My understanding is that she
20	amount that you have. If you have	20	is one of the asbestos talc testing
21	a single fiber, you're still going	21	experts within Imerys.
22	to report that as "I have found a	22	(Document marked for
23	single fiber of asbestos."	23	identification as Exhibit
24	BY MS. O'DELL:	24	Hicks-11.)

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1	BY MS. O'DELL:	1	detect something. The other one
2	Q. Let me show you what I'm	2	is being able to quantify what you
3	going to mark as Exhibit 11. It's a	3	detect.
4	memorandum from Ms. Pier describing the	4	Here she's talking about,
5	TM 7024 test method.	5	can I accurately quantify the
6	Do you see that?	6	amount that I have in my
7	A. Yes.	7	product if I detect how many
8	Q. And the purpose of the memo	8	fibers do I need before I can make
9	is the explanation of the detection	9	that calculation.
10	limit. And you see it says, "Recently,	10	She's agreeing with Test
11	you asked for an explanation of the	11	Method 7024.
12	reported detection limit of method TM	12	BY MS. O'DELL:
13	7024."	13	Q. What she is saying is, we
14	Do you see that?	14	can say that it's below the quantifiable
15	A. Yes, I do.	15	detection despite the fact that there's
16		16	presence of multiple asbestos fibers,
17		17	true?
18	"Analysis of powdered talc for asbestiform minerals by TEM, and it's	18	
19		19	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. THE WITNESS: What she's
20	performed on Grade 66," which is a type of tale.	20	
21		21	saying is that she cannot cannot provide an accurate level
21	Do you see that?	22	of the amount that's there based
23	A. Yes, I see that it states	23	
	that, yes.	24	upon finding less than five fibers.
24	Q. And Ms. Pier explained,	24	Hoers.
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1	Paragraph 1, "The method states that the	1	Page 165 She can tell whether it's
2	Paragraph 1, "The method states that the limit of quantifiable detection is five	2	She can tell whether it's there or not. She cannot provide
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2	that one fiber violates Johnson &	2	THE WITNESS: In a
3	Johnson's policy to be for its talcum	3	hypothetical situation, yes. But
4	powder products to be asbestos-free?	4	she would still report it as
5	A. We all agree, and I don't	5	identified fibers.
6	see Julie stating that is not the case.	6	I mean, we have to look at
7	She in fact, by de facto review of this	7	the quantifiable and the
8	document, I think she's agreeing with the	8	identification of a single fiber
9	fact that even one fiber would be	9	as two different things. It's
10	reported as detected; however, if I need	10	apples and oranges in terms of its
11	•	11	usefulness and meaning.
12	a quantifiable limit to tell you how much	12	MS. O'DELL: Why don't we
13	is exactly is in that talc lot, I need at least five fibers to make that mass	13	take about a five-minute break
14		14	
15	calculation correct and meaningful.	15	now. THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time
16	Q. None of those words that	16	
17	you've just said are in the document that	17	is now 1:46. We are going off the
	you're reading from, Mr. Hicks. I mean,	18	record.
18	all she says, if there's not five fibers,	1	(Short break.) THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time
19	if it's three, for example, it's not	19 20	
20	quantifiable. That's all that paragraph	20	is now 1:59. Back on the record.
21	says, correct?	22	BY MS. O'DELL:
22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.		Q. Mr. Hicks, before we took a
23	THE WITNESS: Yes. But	23	short break, we were talking about
24	quantifiable means that I can	24	finding a fiber in a talc sample after
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1	that to you?	1	management team.
2	A. From a responsibility point	2	Q. And maybe you don't remember
3	of view, any major issues, no matter what	3	individuals' names, but what positions
4	they are, would come to ultimately to my	4	are you referring to, executive
5	attention. And you know, we would then	5	management positions are you referring to
6	decide as a management team where to go	6	as the Baby executive I'm assuming you
7	from there. But as the quality head for	7	are talking about the Baby Powder or the
8	the baby line, it would certainly come to	8	Baby line?
9	me.	9	A. That's correct.
10	Q. So finding asbestos fibers	10	Q. That executive management
11	in Baby Powder would be a serious issue?	11	team, what positions would be included in
12	A. It would be.	12	that group?
13	Q. And it's a serious issue	13	A. So this would be director
14	because it puts at risk the babies and	14	and vice presidential levels for R&D, for
15	adults that are using Baby Powder	15	procurement, for quality assurance,
16	products, true?	16	safety, toxicology.
17	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	17	Q. Would that executive team
18	This is outside the scope of the	18	include executives outside of Johnson &
19	areas where he's been designated	19	Johnson's Consumer, Inc.?
20	as a 30(b)(6) witness. But I'll	20	A. Not at that time, no.
21	allow him to answer in his	21	Q. At some period of time has
22	personal capacity.	22	that executive team included, not only
23	THE WITNESS: Yes, there's	23	JJCI employees, but also J&J employees?
24	certainly a potential safety issue	24	A. Not to my recollection.
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1	and it would be taken with all due	1	Whether I mean it's difficult to say
2	seriousness and communication to	2	exactly what entity within J&J folks were
3	decisionmakers across the company.	3	reporting to at any given time. I'm
4	BY MS. O'DELL:	4	struggling with that.
5	Q. In 2011 in June of 2011, did	5	Q. In June of 2011, we've
6	you make a recommendation as to the	6	looked at this PowerPoint that was marked
7	action plan that should be put into place	7	as an exhibit. Exhibit 9, I believe.
8	in the event that there was a positive	8	Is the alert and action
9	test result or test results for asbestos	9	recommendation plan that you compiled
10	in Baby Powder?	10	contained on Page 13 of that PowerPoint?
11	A. The executive management at	11	A. I have to look. Yes.
12	that time wanted to discuss what the	12	Q. And according to your
13	scenarios might be. If asbestos were	13	proposal, for an alert, that should
14	found I would put together a hypothetical	14	happen if there's a detection of one
15	example of one decision process one might	15	single fiber, escalate, conduct
16	make for discussion purposes.	16	investigation, and resample to determine
17	Q. Who was who in executive	17	level.
18	management asked you to undertake that	18	Did I read that correctly?
19	project?	19	A. Yes, you did.
20	A. Gosh. The specific names of	20	Q. And if there was a test that
21	the individuals at that time, you know, I	21	showed less than five parts per million,
22	don't recall who specifically asked for	22	no evidence of chronic issue and mine
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23	that. But I know it was asked for by	23	practices in control, no action
	that. But I know it was asked for by the by sort of the Baby executive	23	practices in control, no action warranted.

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1	Did I read that correctly?	1	here, and we could not align to having an
2	A. Yes, you did.	2	alert action level proposal.
3	Q. If there was a test result	3	Q. And the team you're
4	that was greater than five parts per	4	referring to is the senior executive
5	million, you describe that as a chronic	5	team committee that invited you to
6	issue, develop mitigation plan, which may	6	make this proposal to them, correct?
7	include switch to new ore I'm assuming	7	A. That's correct. They asked
8	you are talking about talc ore body.	8	me to put together you know, was there
9	Did I read that correctly?	9	any scenario under which an alert action
10	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	10	type of situation might be utilized in
11	form.	11	the case of asbestos and talc. The
12	THE WITNESS: Yes.	12	takeaway from all that discussion,
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	everyone agreed that this was not an
14	Q. And if there was test	14	option, it never went into the
15	results that were greater than ten parts	15	specification, and the specification
16	per million, you described that as a	16	remained at nondetected.
17	chronic issue or excuse me. Greater	17	Q. Did you present this
18	or equal to ten parts per million,	18	PowerPoint as an oral presentation during
19	chronic issue, or 20 parts per million,	19	this executive committee meeting?
20	single event, you remedies continue use	20	A. I did.
21	of tale supply, correct?	21	Q. And were there Johnson &
22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	22	Johnson employees present at that
23	form.	23	meeting?
24	THE WITNESS: Yes, that's	24	A. It was all Johnson & Johnson
21	THE WITNESS. Tes, that's	21	11. It was all Johnson & Johnson
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1	what it states.	1	employees at that meeting.
2	BY MS. O'DELL:	2	Q. Were there executives of
3	Q. It also states it says,	3	A. Excuse me. So let me
4	"Note, ten parts per million equal 1/100	4	clarify. When we talk about Johnson &
5	of XRD limit of detection."	5	Johnson, it's all of Johnson & Johnson,
6	Did I read that correctly?	6	including consumer. I mean, these were
7	A. Yes.	7	all consumer folks. There may have been
8	Q. Those were those were	8	some legal folks there. I don't know.
9	your words and recommendation in June of	9	Q. Let me ask you a couple of
10	2011?	10	follow-up questions about some other
11	A. It was not my	11	testing methods. Let me show you what
12	recommendation. You have to understand	12	I'm marking as Plaintiff's Exhibit Number
13	the context. The context was our	13	12.
14	requirements were nondetected, and the	14	(Document marked for
15	global team the global team working on	15	identification as Exhibit
16	baby wanted to know if there were any	16	Hicks-12.)
17	other options than having a single fiber	17	BY MS. O'DELL:
18	being a failure. And what would be the	18	Q. This is a Test Method 7169.
19	action if we did find a single fiber.	19	Do you see that?
20	And so this was a proposal,	20	A. Yes, I do.
21	theoretical proposal put together of one	21	Q. And it's entitled "Arsenic
22	way you could go. It was discussed with	22	Content, Talc"?
23	the team. And my recollection is that	23	A. Yes, it is.
24	the team said no, we understand the issue	24	Q. And according to this

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1	specification that the level of arsenic	1	marking as Exhibit 13.
2	in talcum powder was required to be less	2	(Document marked for
3	than 2.5 parts per million.	3	identification as Exhibit
4	A. I'm sorry. Where are you	4	Hicks-13.)
5	reading?	5	BY MS. O'DELL:
6	Q. I'm actually looking at the	6	Q. This is a test method for
7	last page. I'm just trying to establish,	7	lead and cadmium. Are you familiar with
8	one, the test method that was	8	this document?
9	appropriate, and is this the controlling	9	A. Let me take a look at it.
10	document for that; and number two, was	10	It's stated in this document
11	the essentially the upper limit of	11	that it is for the adult skin and hair
12		12	
13	normal was at 2.5 parts per million for arsenic.		care business and not the baby business,
14		13	so I don't know that that's a linkage of
	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	14	this one to the specifications between
15 16	form.	15	2006 and 2017.
	THE WITNESS: I think it's	16	Q. You can put that aside. In
17	difficult for me to comment on	17	regard to chromium, you're welcome to
18	this in that this document was	18	look at it. This is the specification
19	from the early to mid-'90s. And	19	that was in effect in March 24, 2010.
20	so I don't really have any	20	It's in your notebook there at
21	background in this particular	21	A. Do you have the tab number?
22	document.	22	Q. Yeah, I was just about to
23	I can indicate that it	23	say that. Thank you. Tab 4.
24	appears to be equivalent to the	24	A. Tab 4.
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2	look at it to make sure they're	2	that's the case, Mr. Hicks, do you have
3	well under the safety limit.	3	any reason to believe that I'm not being
4	BY MS. O'DELL:	4	truthful to you in saying that they have
5	Q5 parts per million had	5	determined that chromium, it can cause
6	been the specification for the limit of	6	cancer in humans?
7	chromium in talc for a number of years,	7	MS. ECHTMAN: Same
8	as of 2010, correct?	8	objection.
9	A. That's correct, yes.	9	THE WITNESS: The only thing
10	Q. And in terms of the safety	10	that I will state is that there
11	issue, you're familiar with IARC, I'm	11	are different types of chromium
12	assuming, as a quality assurance	12	per conversations that I've had
13	A. Yeah, I know them. I'm	13	with our toxicologists, the
14	not I wouldn't say that I was familiar	14	medical safety team, and some are
15	with them. I don't work on their	15	more of a concern than others.
16	subcommittees or go to their meetings or	16	This morning I took chromium
17	get their literature.	17	as part of my multivitamin, so
18	Q. And certainly you would know	18	BY MS. O'DELL:
19	that they evaluate compounds like	19	Q. In terms of chromium, for
20	chromium for purposes of determining	20	the talc that was being mined in China,
21	whether they are carcinogenic to humans,	21	in the time period 2011, there were
22	true?	22	consistent elevated amounts of chromium
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3	his personal capacity.	3	based on?
4	THE WITNESS: Yes, I am	4	BY MS. O'DELL:
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6	only elements, but compounds for	_ ا	Q. Review of documents that
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3	and they agreed that we can safely	3	investigate this right away.
4		4	Q. As a result of the fact
5	change the limit just slightly. BY MS. O'DELL:	5	that let me strike that.
6		6	The amount of chromium in
	Q. When a test is above the		
7	allowable limit, that results in	7	the Chinese ore was running about three
8	something called an OSS, doesn't it?	8	parts per million.
9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	9	Do you recall that?
10	THE WITNESS: In some	10	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
11	organizations, yes. In Johnson &	11	form.
12	Johnson that would be, yes.	12	THE WITNESS: I don't recall
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	that specifically as to what the
14	Q. Okay. And what does OSS	14	level was, nor what the mine was
15	stand for?	15	that level that you're speaking
16	A. So that's out of	16	about was found in.
17	specification.	17	BY MS. O'DELL:
18	Q. And in terms of quality	18	Q. And I'm talking about I'm
19	assurance, an OSS, or an out of	19	talking about mines the mine in China
20	specification test or series of tests is	20	from which Baby Powder was sourced.
21	a problem, true?	21	A. I understand that, yes.
22	A. It's certainly an area that	22	Q. And there were reports,
23	needs attention, yes.	23	multiple reports showing that the amount
24	Q. Yes. And I said OSS, my	24	of chromium was greater than the
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2	BY MS. O'DELL:	2	000009937.
3	Q. And you recommended yourself	3	BY MS. O'DELL:
4	that the upper limit should be changed	4	Q. We talked
5	from .5 parts per million to seven parts	5	A. But just if I can interject.
6	per million, true?	6	Previously you said that it was changed
7	A. I don't recall that, no.	7	to seven PPM, which I wasn't aware that
8	Q. Okay. Well, ultimately	8	that had ever happened. I just want to
9	after that recommendation, the limit for	9	make sure that I'm clear. Two PPM, yes,
10	chromium was changed to seven parts per	10	I'm aware of.
11	million.	11	Q. Yes, okay. That's fair.
12	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	12	A. Okay.
13	Foundation. And objection to	13	Q. The we talked earlier
14	form.	14	you can put that away, Mr. Hicks. We
15	MS. O'DELL: Well let me	15	talked earlier about all the talc that
16	strike that, and I'll start again.	16	was used in Baby Powder during the time
17	BY MS. O'DELL:	17	period that you're speaking to, 2006 to
18	Q. Take a look at Tab 4 of your	18	2017 originated in China. You remember
19	notebook, Mr. Hicks, with the	19	that, that discussion and we talked about
20	specifications.	20	the mines?
21	And this was a specification	21	A. Mm-hmm. Yes, I do remember
22	issued on December 16, 2010.	22	that.
23	A. Yes, I see that.	23	Q. Have you ever visited the
24	Q. And the upper limit for	24	mine in China?
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2	eight years before there was a site visit	2	from the mine as a whole. J&J, well
3	by Johnson & Johnson employee, true?	3	Imerys and ultimately J&J were pulling a
4	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	4	fraction of that.
5	THE WITNESS: That is	5	Q. What's your estimate of the
6	correct. Our trusted partners,	6	amount of that that would ultimately be
7	Imerys, had oversight to that mine	7	used in talcum powder products on a
8	and did have boots on the ground	8	yearly basis?
9	often from my understanding.	9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
10	(Document marked for	10	Overly broad and outside the
11	identification as Exhibit	11	scope.
12	Hicks-14.)	12	THE WITNESS: Yeah, I could
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	only speculate at that. And I
14	Q. Let me show you what I'm	14	think there are others that have a
15	marking as Exhibit Number 14 and ask if	15	much more clear picture as to how
16	you can identify that for me, please.	16	much was being pulled out for J&J.
17	A. Yes. So this was a post	17	BY MS. O'DELL:
18	visit to the China mine slide deck that	18	Q. You mentioned in our
19	was prepared by Mark Zappa, senior	19	discussion previously on specification
20	manager of quality assurance, dated	20	and specifically testing of unique ore
21	April 15, 2011. It's entitled "Guilin	21	lots. Do you remember that?
22	Giguang Talc Mine and Grinding EMQA Trip	22	A. Yes, I do.
23	Review."	23	Q. And you were referring to
24	This was a management	24	ore lots, and let me ask a question.
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2	findings from his trip and what was the	2	Is an ore lot, from your perspective, a term of art that denotes a
2 3	findings from his trip and what was the discussion topic at by the Baby	2	Is an ore lot, from your perspective, a term of art that denotes a specific amount? In other words, is
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1	at the mine on a regular basis.	1	type would have been done under the
2	Q. Has Johnson & Johnson	2	auspices of quality assurance, true?
3	conducted any audits of Imerys?	3	A. That's correct.
4	A. I personally have not seen a	4	Q. And that would have been
5	formal audit report. It doesn't mean one	5	under your responsibility as senior
6	doesn't exist. But I personally have not	6	director of product quality?
7	seen it. There have been many trips to	7	A. Not in 2009. That
8	the Houston facility for various topics,	8	responsibility in 2009 had been split by
9	to understand the process, to look at the	9	then where raw material suppliers and
10	performance, to look at the types of	10	third-party suppliers were being managed
11	equipment that they use, to look at	11	by a breakoff group that focused on those
12	possible changes to the process. And,	12	kinds of activities.
13	you know, I was personally on a couple of	13	My focus at that point was
14	those trips at least, two or three.	14	the was baby products in general, all
15	(Document marked for	15	of the baby products.
16	identification as Exhibit	16	Q. But Johnson & Johnson I
17	Hicks-15.)	17	appreciate what you're saying that at
18	BY MS. O'DELL:	18	that moment may not have been under your
19	Q. Let me show you what I'm	19	auspices, but Johnson & Johnson
20	marking as Exhibit 15. Have this is a	20	commissioned an audit of Imerys as a
21	document entitled "Supplier Audit Report"	21	supplier of talc, true?
22	by Intertek dated April 29, 2009. Have	22	A. That's correct.
23	you seen this document before?	23	Q. And this information would
24	A. I specifically don't recall	24	have been provided to Johnson & Johnson,
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_			this report?
2	didn't see it. There were thousands of	2	this report? A. Yes.
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3	page, on Page 8, it defies it defines,	3	pre-inspection prior to offloading. The
4	excuse me, what is involved with a major	4	shipment is loaded onto trucks and
5	audit finding.	5	delivered and stored in designated areas
6	Do you see that?	6	using concrete barriers to keep the
7	A. Yes, I do.	7	shipments" excuse me "to keep the
8	Q. And a major audit finding	8	different shipments separated.
9	is, "An observation is defined as major	9	"The batch records do not
10	when any one or more of the following two	10	identify the shipments of ore used for
11	conditions apply: Number 1, any	11	final product. In some cases when one
12	nonconformance or noncompliance that if	12	shipment is depleted, another shipment
13	allowed to continue has moderate risk of	13	may be used to supplement the raw
14	adversely affecting product quality, and	14	material requirements for production.
15	the observation represents a significant	15	However, there is no traceability of what
16	gap and/or gaps in an application of one	16	shipments of ore were used for the
17	or more quality elements or system	17	production of the final material."
18	components necessary to meet regulatory	18	Did I read that correctly?
19	requirements. This includes systematic	19	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
20	lack of documented evidence of the	20	THE WITNESS: That's what it
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2	MS. ECHTMAN: This is what	2	I'm just these are documents that have
3	you're going to use as Exhibit 16.	3	been provided. And I'm just asking you
4	MS. O'DELL: Yes. That will	4	questions about them. So I don't I'm
5	make more sense now.	5	not quibbling over what you said about
6	(Document remarked for	6	another draft. But my question really
7	identification as Exhibit	7	related to mine qualification report.
8	Hicks-16.)	8	Do you see that, on Page 2?
9	BY MS. O'DELL:	9	A. Yes.
10	Q. Sorry, Mr. Hicks. Turn to	10	Q. Was a mine qualification
11	Page 2.	11	report provided to quality assurance
12	MS. SHARKO: Do you want the	12	regarding the Guangxi mine?
13	old copy back?	13	A. My understanding is that
14	MS. O'DELL: Yeah, sure.	14	this site had been used for many, many
15	Fine.	15	years, for decades, by Imerys. It was
16	BY MS. O'DELL:	16	repeatedly tested over and over again.
17	Q. Do you see that now,	17	And that's what they were using to
18	Exhibit 16? It's a supplier assessment	18	substantiate that the mine was a
19	questionnaire for Rio Tinto minerals	19	quality in a qualified state.
20	Luzenac, Houston, Texas, which is now	20	Q. Was a report of that mine
21	Imerys. Do you see that?	21	qualification process provided to
22	A. Yes.	22	Johnson & Johnson? That's my question.
23	Q. And if you'll turn to Page	23	A. I don't know that there was
24	2, Line 6. Page two, Line 6. It says,	24	an original mine report. And if so, it
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2	support qualification of the talc source	2	MC O'DELL, I'll f- "
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2	MS. O'DELL: Thank you.	2	that was the only context. I
3	BY MS. O'DELL:	3	think the context was what if
4	Q. Same question. Have you	4	there was potential for talc to
5	seen the mine qualification standard	5	become unavailable out of the
6	operating procedure that is referenced in	6	China mine, what would we do? Is
7	this document?	7	there a possibility, given the
8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	8	mines that we use globally for
9	form.	9	other other J&J companies
10	THE WITNESS: No, I	10	around the globe, do we want to
11	personally have not seen them, no.	11	consolidate? Is there a
12	BY MS. O'DELL:	12	production advantage to
13	Q. Are you aware if that	13	consolidate?
14	standard operating procedure has been	14	And also just looking at
15	provided to Johnson & Johnson?	15	general capacity, could any one
16	MS. ECHTMAN: Object to	16	company provide the amount of talc
17	form.	17	that we need on a regular basis.
18	THE WITNESS: No, I	18	It was a multifaceted review.
19	personally am not aware of it.	19	BY MS. O'DELL:
20	BY MS. O'DELL:	20	Q. And one of the facets of
21	Q. You can put that aside,	21	that review that you haven't mentioned
22	Mr. Hicks.	22	thus far is the concern that there was
23	What was Project Kansas?	23	asbestos in the talc ore in China,
24	A. Project Kansas was an R&D	24	correct?
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2	the nature of my objection.	2	products in the United States.
3	Mr. Hicks has been	3	And that's the basis for my
4	designated on certain 30(b)(6)	4	objection.
5	topics in response to your notice.	5	MS. O'DELL: I can handle
6	And so when I object and I say he	6	that.
7	can answer in his personal	7	BY MS. O'DELL:
8	capacity, I'm saying that it's	8	Q. Mr. Hicks, was the talc that
9	outside the designation on the	9	was involved in the positive test results
10	30(b)(6) notice.	10	by the China FDA mined from the same mine
11	And with that, he can answer	11	that sources Baby Powder that's sold in
12	the question.	12	the United States?
13	MS. O'DELL: Just hold that	13	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
14	thought, Mr. Hicks.	14	THE WITNESS: It's not clear
15	THE WITNESS: Okay.	15	that it was absolutely that mine.
16	MS. O'DELL: Mr. Hicks has	16	But it's likely to have been that
17	been designated for the results	17	mine, yes.
18	regarding the purity of Johnson &	18	MS. O'DELL: This is well
19	Johnson's talcum powder, which is	19	within the scope. It is talc
20	Topic 9. Certainly the results of	20	that's sourced from the same mine.
21	positive test results involving	21	And as a result, it's well within
22	asbestos as reported by the China	22	the scope.
23	FDA would be a part of that, well	23	BY MS. O'DELL:
24	within the topic.	24	
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3	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	3	Hicks-17.)
4	And I object as outside the scope	4	BY MS. O'DELL:
5	of the notice as we interpret it.	5	Q. I've handed to you
6	I'll allow the witness to answer.	6	Exhibit 17. Have you seen this document
7	THE WITNESS: Yes, I do	7	before?
8	recall that.	8	A. Let me look through it for a
9	BY MS. O'DELL:	9	second. Yes, I have seen it before.
10	Q. And after Johnson & Johnson	10	Q. This is dated May 15, 2009.
11	was informed of that result, a team of	11	Is that one day after Johnson & Johnson
12	individuals were formed to address that	12	was informed of the positive results?
13	situation on behalf of Johnson & Johnson,	13	MS. ECHTMAN: Same
14	true?	14	objection. I'll allow the witness
15	MS. ECHTMAN: Same objection	15	to answer.
16	that it's outside the scope of the	16	THE WITNESS: Yeah, I don't
17	notice as we interpret it. The	17	recall the exact day of the year
18	witness may answer the question.	18	that we were alerted to this claim
19	THE WITNESS: Yes, the team	19	by the Chinese SFDA.
20	was formed. I'd just like to	20	BY MS. O'DELL:
21	clarify that from a China SFDA	21	Q. It's fair to say that
22	perspective, there were other	22	Johnson & Johnson formed a team and began
23	manufacturers' products that they	23	to address this situation immediately
24	also made the same claim about.	24	upon hearing of the positive asbestos
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1	BY MS. O'DELL:	1	results, correct?
2	Q. What was the name of the	2	MS. ECHTMAN: Same
3	response team that was formed here at	3	objection.
4	Johnson & Johnson to respond to these	4	THE WITNESS: Yes, this was
5	asbestos test results?	5	an important issue, and it was
6	MS. ECHTMAN: Same objection	6	reacted to very quickly by the
7	that it's outside the scope of the	7	global network.
8	notice, and I'll allow the witness	8	BY MS. O'DELL:
^	to answer the question.	9	
9	•	1 1 0	Q. And if you'll turn to about
10	THE WITNESS: Gosh, I don't	10	Page 2 of Exhibit 17. You'll see that
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2	Johnson.	2	the correct translation of percent
3	MS. ECHTMAN: Same	3	of PPM.
4	objection.	4	BY MS. O'DELL:
5	BY MS. O'DELL:	5	Q. If you'll turn to the next
6	Q. True?	6	page. Under RM spec requirement, the
7	A. It appears that way. Yes.	7	second line says that, "China raw
8	Q. Yes. And according to the	8	material talc is supplied from Guilin
9	SFDA, JJC which I'm assuming is	9	Giguang."
10	Johnson & Johnson Consumers; is that	10	Did I read that correctly?
11	correct?	11	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
12	MS. ECHTMAN: Same	12	form, and objection with respect
13	objection.	13	to the scope of the notice.
14	THE WITNESS: Yes. That	14	THE WITNESS: That is the
15	would refer to Johnson & Johnson	15	name of the milling company in
16	Consumers.	16	China that provides the talc to
17	BY MS. O'DELL:	17	the Chinese affiliate.
18	Q had one batch talc, raw	18	BY MS. O'DELL:
19	material, gives the sample number, with	19	Q. And also provides talc for
20	0.6 percent asbestos. And batch of	20	use in Baby Powder to be sold in the
21	Johnson's Baby, JB, prickly heat powder	21	United States?
22	with .5 percent asbestos level.	22	A. Actually, it does not.
23	Did I read that correctly?	23	Guilin does not provide low talc to the
24	MS. ECHTMAN: Same	24	U.S.
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1	objection.	1	Q. Well, the better answer to
2	THE WITNESS: You did read	2	my question is Guilin mines the tale,
3	it correctly, yes.	3	sells it to Imerys, and Imerys buys the
4	BY MS. O'DELL:	4	talc and sells it to Johnson's Baby
5	Q. And .6 percent asbestos	5	Powder for Johnson's Baby Powder, but
6	Mr. Hicks would be equivalent to 6,000	6	it originates from the same mine, true?
7	parts per million of asbestos, true?	7	A. It's implied here, yes.
8 9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	8	Q. In fact, if you'll turn
	form. And same objection on the	9	over I think it's Page 5 or 6. I'm
10	scope of the notice.	10 11	not sure, Mr. Hicks. But it's a table called "raw talc asbestos test in China
11 12	THE WITNESS: Yes, your math	12	
13	is correct. BY MS. O'DELL:	13	and Japan."
14	Q. And similarly, the JB	14	A. Yeah, just to clarify the last statement. It's not absolutely
15	prickly heat powder results were	15	clear where Guilin is getting their talc
16	.5 percent asbestos, which would be the	16	from. That's the name of their company.
17	equivalent of 5,000 parts per million	17	It may not be where they are sourcing
18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	18	from. But they're sourcing from that
19	BY MS. O'DELL:	19	same general area in South China.
20	Q of asbestos?	20	Q. If you'll turn over to, I
21	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	21	think it's Page 6 of the same document.
22	form and same objection with	22	A. What is the title of the
	_	23	
23	respect to the scope of the	43	page?
23 24	respect to the scope of the notice.	24	page? Q. "Raw Talc Asbestos Test in

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1	China and Japan." There's a table.	1	are not from" "for J&J, but from the
2	You'll see there's a yellow box at the	2	same mine and grinding facility."
3	bottom of the page. And that yellow box	3	Did I read that correctly?
4	references the Johnson & Johnson samples	4	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
5	that tested positive.	5	form, and same objection with
6	Do you see that?	6	respect to the notice.
7	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	7	THE WITNESS: So, it
8	form, and same objection on scope	8	indicates
9	of the notice.	9	BY MS. O'DELL:
10	BY MS. O'DELL:	10	Q. Just yes or no, sir? Did I
11	Q. Do you see that, sir?	11	read that correctly?
12	A. Yes, I do.	12	A. Yes, you read it correctly.
13	Q. And it says, "These two	13	Q. And obviously that would be
14	batches are not for J&J but from the same	14	a source of major concern if the talc
15	mine and grinding facility and adjacent	15	mine that provides talc for Johnson's
16	with J&J products."	16	Baby Powder in the U.S. tested positive
17	Does that refresh your	17	for asbestos?
18	memory that the talc was mined that	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
19	tested positive was mined from the same	19	form and same objection on the
20	area that sources Johnson's Baby Powder	20	scope of the notice.
21	in the U.S.?	21	THE WITNESS: I don't think
22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	22	there's anything here that tells
23	form. Same objection on scope of	23	me that it's in fact the same
24	the notice.	24	material that was tested by
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2	Q. It's the same mine?	2	just we were just talking about.
3	A. It may be.	3	A. Okay.
4	Q. It says it's the same mine,	4	Q. During that meeting when
5	doesn't it?	5	that was presented
6	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	6	A. I thought we had moved on to
7	THE WITNESS: That's what it	7	this document. Sorry.
8	says. This is our only	8	Q. No problem. Did you
9	information put together within an	9	question the accuracy of that information
10	eight-hour period of this being	10	during the course of that meeting?
11	discovered. I don't really know	11	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
12	what that means, nor do I know	12	form, and same objection on scope
13	whether it's a qualified	13	of the notice.
14	laboratory that did the testing.	14	THE WITNESS: That was
15	(Document marked for	15	the certainly one of the
16	identification as Exhibit	16	discussion topics about whether
17	Hicks-18.)	17	the lab that is being used by SFDA
18	BY MS. O'DELL:	18	and in fact knew how to test for
19	Q. Let me show you what I'm	19	asbestos properly and had the
20	marking as Exhibit 18, Mr. Hicks.	20	correct requirements and correct
21	Mr. Hicks, at the time of the	21	methods.
22	presentation we were just looking at, the	22	BY MS. O'DELL:
23	May 15, 2009 presentation, did you	23	Q. Did you question the fact
24	question the veracity of the document	24	that the PowerPoint contained a statement
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1	that was presented during that meeting?	1	that the talc had come from the same mine
2	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	2	that sources Johnson & Johnson Baby
3	form, and same objection with	3	Powder for the North America? Did you
4	respect to the scope of the	4	question that statement during the
5	notice.	5	meeting?
6	THE WITNESS: I did not.	6	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
7	I'm not sure that the veracity is	7	form, and same objection on the
8	necessarily applicable here.	8	scope of the notice.
	BY MS. O'DELL:	9	
9		1	THE WITNESS: I don't recall
10	Q. Did you question the	10	having that discussion.
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2	form, and same objection on the	2	don't think so. I think that if
3	scope of the notice.	3	this had been found on tale that
4	THE WITNESS: I'm sure that	4	was pulled from an Indian mine or
5	this was discussed. I'm not sure	5	a Brazil mine, we would have had
6	what you're question really is.	6	the same response.
7	BY MS. O'DELL:	7	BY MS. O'DELL:
8	Q. I think my question is	8	Q. The Skillman team that you
9	A. Maybe it's the term	9	talked about. That's what it was called,
10	"veracity."	10	right, the Core Skillman Talc Technical
11	Q. I think I said accuracy. So	11	Team?
12	let me state my question again.	12	A. Yes, it exists at the global
13	If there was not significant	13	headquarters for consumer, which is in
14	evidence that the talc that was used in	14	Skillman.
15	the bottles that tested positive came	15	Q. And the team was formed for
16	from the same mine that sources talc for	16	purposes of addressing these positive
17	North America, would there have been a	17	asbestos test results from the Chinese
18	task force formed and the level of	18	FDA, true?
19	attention and effort had it not been from	19	A. It was formed to help our
20	the same mine?	20	representatives in China respond to this
21	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	21	issue, get to the bottom of it, determine
22	form, and same objection on scope	22	if it was real or if it was not. And
23	of the notice.	23	there were also 30 36 or 37 other
24	THE WITNESS: It is a bit of	24	companies that were engaged in the same
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1	speculation, but let me comment	1	kind of discussion.
2	that I think that any time someone	2	Q. If you'll look at
3	reports to us that they found	3	Exhibit 18, the Skillman Talc Technical
4	asbestos, or any other impurity	4	Team included numerous executives
5	for that matter, beyond the limits	5	responsible for Baby Powder including
6	that have been defined, it would	6	yourself. You were chair of the
7	be an issue for us to want to		yourself. Tou were chair of the
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2	to May 21st, and you list the team	2	communicate with the SFDA, lobbying them
3	members. You're the chair.	3	to address the testing protocols that
4	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection on	4	were being used at that time by the
5	grounds that it's outside the	5	Chinese FDA, true?
6	scope.	6	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
7	BY MS. O'DELL:	7	form. And objection on the
8	Q. Do you see that?	8	grounds that it's outside the
9	A. Yes, I do. Yes, I was the	9	scope.
10	person calling the meetings and writing	10	THE WITNESS: It's really
11	output from those meetings.	11	outside of my scope of
12	Q. And the specific purpose of	12	orientation.
13	this team was to address the issue that	13	My understanding is that
14	had arisen as a result of the positive	14	there was communication I mean,
15	test from the China FDA?	15	clearly PCPC or CTFA at that point
16	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection,	16	was aware that this was an issue
17	based on outside of the scope of	17	and was asking similar questions.
18	the notice.	18	BY MS. O'DELL:
19	You may answer.	19	Q. The RJ Lee participated
20	THE WITNESS: That's	20	in meetings, training meetings with the
21	correct. Our primary role was to	21	SFDA to train them on the manner in which
22	support the team in China, who was	22	RJ Lee performed testing for the
23	working with the SFDA to	23	detection of asbestos in talc, true?
24	understand the situation. We were	24	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
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1	more in a supporting role.	1	Outside the scope of the notice.
2	BY MS. O'DELL:	2	THE WITNESS: My
3	Q. You not only interacted with	3	recollection is that RJ Lee
4	J&J employees in China, but you also	4	provided training to the Johnson &
5	hired RJ Lee to perform testing of talc	5	Johnson folks in China relative to
6	samples to be provided to the Chinese	6	asbestos, what is asbestos, how
7	FDA, true?	7	you test for it, some of the
8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	8	pitfalls of doing asbestos
9	Outside the scope of the notice.	9	training that you can get into, so
10	You may answer.	10	that those folks can have an
11	THE WITNESS: Yes, we did	11	intelligent conversation with the
12	hire RJ Lee. They did both	12	SFDA.
13	testing and helped from a	13	RJ Lee continued to be a
14	technical helped the team in	14	resource when questions came up
15	China understand some of the	15	from the Chinese team after they
16	technical issues relative to	16	have gone to the SFDA and come
17	asbestos testing so they can talk	17	back and added some additional
18	more intellectually with the SFDA.	18	questions, et cetera.
19	The SFDA would only talk in	19	BY MS. O'DELL:
20	Chinese. And I don't communicate	20	Q. RJ Lee participated with
21	in Chinese.	21	Johnson & Johnson employees in the
22	BY MS. O'DELL:	22	development of a position paper that was
23	Q. Johnson & Johnson engaged	23	presented to the SFDA, true?
2 4			N/IN HI HINA/IN (Ibiootion
24	the help and assisted in the activities	24	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.

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1	Outside of the scope.	1	same, but I have not specifically
2	THE WITNESS: Yes. That's	2	seen the final output from SFDA
3	my recollection.	3	since it was written in Chinese.
4	BY MS. O'DELL:	4	BY MS. O'DELL:
5	Q. And the position paper urged	5	Q. And so as I understand what
6	the China's FDA to adopt the asbestos	6	you just said, overall is your
7	testing protocol that Johnson & Johnson	7	understanding neither one of us read
8	had been requiring or requires in their	8	Chinese the SFDA standard is generally
9	specifications, CTFA J4-1, true?	9	the same as CTFA J4-1 along with the
10	A. They were urging	10	incorporation of Test Method 7024. Is
11	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	11	that your understanding?
12	Outside of the scope.	12	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
13	You can answer.	13	Outside the scope.
14	THE WITNESS: They were	14	THE WITNESS: That is my
15	urging them to apply standardized	15	general understanding, which of
16	methods, well recognized within	16	course is nearly identical to the
17	industry, whether they be USP, the	17	USP version and to other
18	European Pharmaceutical standards,	18	government testing versions for
19	the Indian standards, some	19	asbestos that exist around the
20	standard document, some standard	20	world.
21	testing process that is available	21	BY MS. O'DELL:
22	on a global basis.	22	Q. And following discussions
23	BY MS. O'DELL:	23	with members of industry, including
24	Q. And one of those standards	24	Johnson & Johnson, including Personal
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1	and ultimately, the one that China was	1	Care Products Council, the Chinese SFDA
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2 3 4	and ultimately, the one that China was persuaded to adopt was the CTFA JF-1 standard of XRD, and if there's a questionable finding PLM, true?	2 3 4	Care Products Council, the Chinese SFDA ultimately adopted the protocol that we just talked about and retested samples of Baby Powder, true?
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1		1	THE WITNESS: Yes. The
2	we've just been talking about originally	2	dates indicate that.
3	tested positive for asbestos. There was	3	BY MS. O'DELL:
4	a period of time where there's		
	discussions with industry. And	4	Q. And if you'll turn to
5	ultimately new samples were submitted to	5	Page 4, you'll see that the National
6	the SFDA for retesting by Johnson &	6	Building Material Industrial Bureau
7	Johnson, true?	7	SFDA-designated lab do you see that
8	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	8	line?
9	And objection as outside the	9	A. Yes, I do.
10	scope.	10	Q. It says, "Date of test
11	THE WITNESS: My	11	communicated May 14, 2009." These are
12	recollection was that samples that	12	the test results we've been talking
13	the SFDA had were obtained and	13	about. Reported failed according to SFDA
14	sent to RJ Lee as well for testing	14	information. And that was true for both
15	and there was no asbestos detected	15	raw material talc batch and for JB
16	in those samples.	16	prickly heat powder.
17	BY MS. O'DELL:	17	Do you see that?
18	Q. Mr. Hicks, I lost my exhibit	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
19	stickers. Here we go. Good.	19	form. Foundation. And same
20	Let me show you what I've	20	objection on scope of the notice.
21	marked as Exhibit 19.	21	BY MS. O'DELL:
22	(Document marked for	22	Q. Is that true, sir?
23	identification as Exhibit	23	A. Yes, I do see that.
24	Hicks-19.)	24	Q. And on May 19, five days
21	111cK3-17.)		Q. Find on way 19, five days
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1	BY MS. O'DELL:	1	later, new samples were submitted and
2	Q. This is a PowerPoint dated	2	retested.
3	May 26, ostensively 2009.	3	Do you see that?
4	Do you see that?	4	A. Yes, I do.
5	A. Yes, I do.	5	MS. ECHTMAN: Same
6	Q. That would be 12 days after	6	objection. Form and foundation
7	the original test was reported as a	7	and outside the scope of the
8	positive for asbestos, true?	8	notice.
9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	9	BY MS. O'DELL:
10	And objection as outside the	10	Q. And these new samples with
11	scope.	11	the new test methodology urged by
12	BY MS. O'DELL:	12	Johnson & Johnson resulted in a passing
13	Q. True?	13	test. True?
14	MS. ECHTMAN: Same	14	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
15	objection.	15	form and foundation and outside
16	BY MS. O'DELL:	16	the scope of the notice.
17	Q. Just to make sure we're	17	THE WITNESS: Well, urged by
18	clear, this presentation was given	18	a consortium of cosmetic
19	12 days after J&J learned that there were	19	manufacturing companies that were
20	positive asbestos tests for Johnson's	20	affected by this in China.
21	Baby Powder, true?	21	BY MS. O'DELL:
22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	22	Q. Including Johnson & Johnson?
	Foundation. Objection to form and	23	A. Including Johnson & Johnson.
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23 24	outside the scope.	24	Q. And the new samples resulted

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1	in a negative asbestos test?	1	analysis of asbestos in talc?
2	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	2	A. Not that I'm aware of.
3	form and foundation and outside	3	Q. Excuse me.
4	the scope of the notice.	4	A. It would be a bit unusual to
5	BY MS. O'DELL:	5	use the term "Johnson" without using
6	Q. True?	6	Johnson & Johnson or J&J conference. So
7	A. That's correct.	7	I don't know where this was given or what
8	Q. What was the Johnson	8	context it was given.
9	conference that took place in 2011?	9	Q. In terms of conferences, are
10	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	10	you aware of let me strike that and
11	form.	11	start again.
12	THE WITNESS: Yeah, it's not	12	Is it your testimony on
13	specific enough for me to even	13	behalf of Johnson & Johnson that there
14	attempt an answer.	14	was not a conference entitled a Johnson &
15	BY MS. O'DELL:	15	Johnson conference hosted by Johnson &
16	Q. Okay. Fair enough. Let me	16	Johnson for purposes of discussing a new
17	try to be more clear. Was there a	17	method for testing talc for asbestos?
18	conference in July of 2011 during which	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
19	the analysis of talc in regard to the	19	This is outside the scope of the
20	presence of asbestos was discussed by not	20	topics which relate to what
21	only members of the team at Johnson &	21	testing was actually used. And
22	Johnson, but also Imerys and others?	22	asked and answered. I'll allow
23	A. I don't have immediate	23	the witness to answer outside of
24	recollection of that. It's possible.	24	the 30(b)(6) context.
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1	Q. Do you recall a presentation	1	MS. O'DELL: Excuse me, sir.
2	by Julie Pier entitled "Analysis of Talc	2	Let me respond to the objection.
3	Containing Asbestos"?	3	This is well within the
4	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	4	scope of testing protocols and
5	THE WITNESS: I recall Julie	5	specifications, and so I believe
6	doing a doing different	6	it's well within the scope. I'm
7	presentations at different	7	stating that for the record.
8	meetings that we had with Imerys	8	BY MS. O'DELL:
9	folks.	9	Q. Are you saying that this
10	(Document marked for	10	conference from which this PowerPoint
11	identification as Exhibit	11	for which this PowerPoint was prepared
12	Hicks-20.)	12	was not related to Johnson & Johnson?
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
14	Q. Let me show you what I'm	14	form, and objection that it's our
15	marking as Exhibit 20. You've seen this	15	view that it's outside of the
16	document before, Mr. Hicks?	16	scope of the $30(b)(6)$. But the
17	A. Give me a second. Let me	17	witness can answer outside of that
18	take a look at it and see if	18	context to the extent that he
19	Yeah, I actually do not	19	knows.
20	remember this particular presentation.	20	THE WITNESS: So from my
21	Q. Was there a Johnson	21	perspective, I have no knowledge
22	conference that took place involving	22	as to why this was created and
23 24	employees of Johnson & Johnson to discuss	23	where it was presented.
∠ 4	the development of a new method for the	24	MS. O'DELL: Michelle, would

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1	you mark that on the record.	1	of the notice. We'll look at it.
2	MS. SHARKO: Do you have	2	We've marked it for the record.
3	something that links this document	3	And we'll raise it with the Court
4	to J&J? It's an Imerys document	4	if it's something that we feel
5	with Bates numbers.	5	that you produced a witness that
6	MS. O'DELL: There are	6	doesn't have sufficient
7	references to it that it's the	7	information.
8	Johnson conference that led us to	8	BY MS. O'DELL:
9	that it was a Johnson & Johnson	9	Q. Mr. Hicks, let's move to
10	related conference. All we can do	10	another topic.
11	is ask the witness.	11	A. Okay.
12	If he's saying that he's	12	Q. Excuse me. Give me one
13	here on behalf of Johnson &	13	minute.
14	Johnson to testify about protocols	14	MS. ECHTMAN: Do you want to
15	that were used in testing talc and	15	take a break?
16	he's not aware of it, he has no	16	THE WITNESS: It's a good
17	knowledge, I'm going to mark it	17	time to take a break. How long
18	for the record. I'm going to go	18	how long do you want to run?
19	back and look at the context, and	19	MS. O'DELL: Five minutes,
20	we may for another witness who can	20	and I've got about an hour and
21	speak to that topic.	21	40 minutes on the record. I don't
22	MS. SHARKO: Note our	22	know that I'll take all that. But
23	objection because now you are	23	if you want to take a break, that
24	asking about something that is an	24	will be fine.
	ushing accur semetiming that is un		will be line.
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1	Imerys document, not one of ours.	1	THE WITNESS: Yeah, I think
2	So if you can show us something	2	now is a good time.
3	that links this to Johnson &	3	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time
4	Johnson I mean, Johnson is	4	is now 4:02. Going off the
5	obviously a very common name.	5	record.
6	We're happy to look at it and talk	6	(Short break.)
7	to the witness.	7	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time
8	But just, you know, putting	8	is now 4:22. Back on the record.
9	up a piece of paper up that says	9	BY MS. O'DELL:
10	Johnson on it that's not from our	10	Q. Mr. Hicks, we were talking
11	files is somewhat concerning to	11	about July 2011 just a few minutes ago.
12	me. If you don't have it or don't	12	And specifically in relation to the
13	want to give it, so be it. We can	13	Johnson & Johnson excuse me, the
14	move on. I just wanted to make	14	Johnson conference that we may need to
15	that point.	15	follow-up on later. But also in 2011,
16	MS. O'DELL: We're not	16	did it come to Johnson & Johnson's
17	confined to Johnson & Johnson	17	attention that the Chinese mining company
18	documents, as you know. We	18	was not compliant with Johnson &
19	certainly can and should be able	19	Johnson's testing specifications?
20	to cross-examine the witness on	20	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
21	Imerys documents.	21	form.
22	I've asked the question. He	22	THE WITNESS: From my
23	says he has no knowledge of this.	23	perspective, I haven't seen that
24	I think it's well within the scope	24	information.

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1	BY MS. O'DELL:	1	Chinese mining company, correct?
2	Q. Okay. Was Johnson & Johnson	2	A. Yes. Guilin, actually.
3	aware are that the Chinese mining company	3	Q. Sorry. "Guilin certificate
4	was not capable of complying with the	4	of analysis for tale is not fully
5	specifications contained in Johnson &	5	compliant to J&J global talc
6	Johnson's specifications for tale?	6	specification. Guilin is not capable of
7	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	7	using some of our specification test
8	THE WITNESS: I can't recall	8	methods."
9	seeing a document to that effect.	9	Did I read that correctly?
10	BY MS. O'DELL:	10	A. Yes, you did.
11	Q. I think you mentioned	11	Q. So Johnson & Johnson was
12	earlier a person named Mark Zappa.	12	aware that Guilin was not able to be
13	A. Yes.	13	fully compliant with Johnson & Johnson's
14	Q. He was a member of your	14	global talc specifications, true?
15	team, yes?	15	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
16	A. Yes, he was.	16	Outside the scope and I'll let the
17	(Document marked for	17	witness answer outside the
18	identification as Exhibit	18	30(b)(6) context.
19	Hicks-21.)	19	MS. O'DELL: Counsel, one of
20	BY MS. O'DELL:	20	the topics is all the entities
21	Q. Let me show you what I'm	21	that were performing testing on
22	marking as Exhibit 21.	22	
23	MS. O'DELL: Did I give you	23	talcum powder, which would include Guilin, and so it's well within
24	mine?	24	
24	mme:	24	the scope and I would that's my
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1	MS. ECHTMAN: I don't know.	1	response to your objection.
2	BY MS. O'DELL:	2	BY MS. O'DELL:
3	Q. Did you get a highlighted	3	Q. You may answer, sir.
4	one?	4	A. It doesn't say what testing
5	A. I did not.	5	is at issue here. And we were, at this
6	(Whereupon, a discussion was	6	time, looking at the potential to
7	held off the record.)	7	purchase directly from Guilin and have
8	BY MS. O'DELL:	8	the C of A come directly from them. I
9	Q. This is an e-mail dated	9	know that they did not have TEM inhouse.
10	November the 17th, 2011.	10	They had to send it out to an external
11	Do you see that?	11	laboratory for example. Other testing
12	A. Yes, I do.	12	may have had to have been sent out as
13	Q. And it's regarding Project	13	well. I don't know whether this refers
14	Heat. What is Project Heat?	14	to inhouse, can they do the testing that
15	A. We were looking at the	15	we were requiring.
16	potential of performing heat sanitization	16	Q. And in terms of what was
17	inhouse at the PTI Royston facility	17	stated in the e-mail, it appears they're
18	instead of performing that at the Imerys	18	not fully compliant with the global talc
19	facility in Houston, Georgia.	19	specification and they are not capable of
20	Q. Houston, Texas?	20	using some of the specification test
21	A. Houston, Texas. Sorry.	21	specified test methods, but it's not
22	Q. It's been a long day.	22	clear which ones they're not capable of
23	The beginning of the e-mail	23	complying?
24	reads, "Important. Guilin" that's the	24	A. Yeah, it's really not clear.
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1	It really could be anything.	1	with the specifications in Johnson &
2	Q. But Guilin was conducting	2	Johnson's raw material specs?
3	testing, completing certificates of	3	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
4	analysis that were required by Johnson &	4	THE WITNESS: I think that
5	Johnson?	5	Imerys certainly did. I think the
6	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	6	issue for Johnson & Johnson is
7	Outside of the scope as previously	7	that they were mining tons and
8	stated, which is limited to U.S.	8	tons of talc for many different
9	talc supply.	9	companies for many different
10	MS. O'DELL: It was the U.S.	10	applications. And it was more
11	talc supply. It was talc mined in	11	important for us to test the ore
12	China for U.S. Baby Powder. So	12	that we were actually getting
13	this is well within the scope.	13	versus ore that we were not
14	BY MS. O'DELL:	14	getting.
15	Q. So Guilin was conducting	15	BY MS. O'DELL:
16	testing at the mine that populated	16	Q. Well, in terms of I'm not
17	certificates of analysis for talc that	17	talking about ore you weren't getting.
18	was shipped to Houston for use in Baby	18	We are talking about ore that was mined
19	Powder, true?	19	and provided to J&J and whether Guilin
20	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	20	was capable of complying with the
21	You can answer.	21	specifications outlined by J&J. That's
22	THE WITNESS: No, I don't	22	the context of our discussion, correct?
23	think that's true. They were	23	A. That is the context. I
24	performing testing for their own	24	think we have to be careful though that
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1	information. They may have been	1	the Guilin Guilin was not just
2	providing those testing results to	2	separating our ore and testing the ore
3	Imerys. Imerys was providing	3	that would then be shipped to Imerys and
4	testing results conducted by their	4	converted back. They're testing samples
5	own laboratories and that's what	5	for many different companies on a regular
6	they were sending to J&J.	6	basis where they're the direct supplier
7	BY MS. O'DELL:	7	to those companies.
8	Q. You just stated that Guilin	8	So our reliance was on
9	was testing for their own information and	9	testing the ore that we actually got in
10	that Johnson & Johnson did not require	10	Houston. That's the ore that we wanted
11	nor rely on the testing that Guilin	11	tested.
i	performed, do I understand your testimony	12	And to the decree that date
12	performed, do i understand your testimony		Q. And to the degree that data
12 13	correctly?	13	from Guilin was provided to Johnson &
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2	Hicks-22.)	2	(Document marked for
3	BY MS. O'DELL:	3	identification as Exhibit
4	Q. Let me show you what I'm	4	Hicks-23.)
5	marking as Exhibit 21.	5	BY MS. O'DELL:
6	MS. ECHTMAN: Are we on 22?	6	Q. Let me show you what I've
7	THE WITNESS: Can I just	7	marked as Exhibit 23.
8	make one comment on Exhibit 21?	8	This is an e-mail from Janet
9		9	
10	MS. O'DELL: No, sir. We're	10	Stanish, who is from Pharma Tech, and she
	moving on.		is writing to Johnson & Johnson
11	BY MS. O'DELL:	11	employees.
12	Q. I'm sure your lawyer will	12	Do you see that?
13	ask you questions if she's got to	13	November 8, 2011.
14	follow-up. But for interest of time, I	14	A. Yes, I do.
15	need to move on.	15	Q. She is referring in her
16	A. Fine.	16	e-mail to certificates of analysis
17	Q. Exhibit 22.	17	requirements.
18	MS. ECHTMAN: Can we get	18	Do you see that?
19	copies of 22, please?	19	A. Yes, I do.
20	MS. O'DELL: I thought I	20	Q. And specifically to a
21	gave them to you. Oh, sorry.	21	certificate of analysis from Guilin for
22	Excuse me.	22	milled lot and ore lot specifications.
23	BY MS. O'DELL:	23	And you'll turn over, Mr. Hicks, just to
24	Q. So Exhibit 22 is an e-mail	24	be maybe this would help you some. On
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1	from Alan Chen to yourself dated	1	Page 2. You'll see that a certificate of
2	November 28, 2011.	2	analysis from Guilin for milled lot and
3	Do you see that?	3	ore had been provided to Pharma Tech.
4	A. Yes, I do.	4	It says, "Some of the test
5	Q. And he writes, "Hi, Don and	5	methods used by Guilin are not the same
6	Mark," referring to Mark Zappa. "As for	6	as listed in RM 008967.
7	the talc method" "test method issue,	7	Do you see that?
8	as we all" "as we all involved in and	8	A. Yes, I do.
9	have been aware that test method	9	Q. So it does appear that
10	discrepancy issue is now existing at both	10	certificates of analysis were being
11	suppliers, Guilin, J&J site QC, and RJ	11	provided by Pharma Tech in relation to
12	Lee. Currently as advised from the team	12	talc supplied for Johnson's Baby Powder
13	we need suppliers to strictly adopt those	13	and that those test methods did not
14	outlined in RM 008967."	14	comply with RM 008967?
15	Do you see that?	15	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
16	A. I do, yes.	16	Foundation. Objection to form.
17	Q. And does that make clear	17	THE WITNESS: So to first
18	that Guilin was not compliant with the	18	put this in context, there was an
19	testing methods outlined in RM 008967.	19	R&D excuse me an R&D
20	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	20	project, looking at and
21	THE WITNESS: Yeah, I do see	21	procurement project to change
22	the discussion, yes.	22	to possibly change the way that we
23	BY MS. O'DELL:	23	purchased talc, received talc, and
24	Q. Okay. Let me you can put	24	the question was do we bring talc
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1	in directly from the supplier as	1	back that this isn't clear, you
2	the mining milling operation in	2	know, this is not the test that
3	China.	3	we that we recommend for
4	And what this refers to is	4	whatever topic is covered here in
5	that an initial cut and then	5	these various sections.
6	putting together a certificate for	6	BY MS. O'DELL:
7	that potential process was created	7	Q. Was the Guilin mill used to
8	and sent to us for comment and	8	process talc for use in Baby Powder to be
9	review. Folks looked at it,	9	sold in the U.S.?
10	commented back.	10	A. No.
11	So this is very much an	11	Q. We talked thank you, sir.
12	in-process. This was not anything	12	You can put that aside.
13	to do with actual production.	13	We've talked several times
14	This was an R&D project that we	14	today about RJ Lee being the sole outside
15	were potentially getting ready to	15	lab that was hired by Johnson & Johnson
16	initiate and ultimately the	16	to test its talcum powder products.
17	decision was to cancel this	17	Do you recall an audit of RJ
18	project.	18	Lee that took place in March of 2012?
19	BY MS. O'DELL:	19	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
20	Q. In addition	20	Foundation.
21	A. And I	21	THE WITNESS: I do recall
22	Q. Excuse me.	22	that audit, yes.
23	A. And I suspect that this	23	(Document marked for
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1	A. These individuals were not,	1	were not available at the time of
2	but we were working within the same	2	the audit.
3	broad-based quality assurance unit.	3	BY MS. O'DELL:
4	Q. If you'll turn to Page 4 of	4	Q. It says, number one, they
5	7, you'll find an observation rating	5	did not have TM 7164 and were using IP
6	classification.	6	2007, which would not be in compliance
7	A. Yes, I see that.	7	with the raw materials specification
8	•		sheet that instituted by J&J, correct?
9	Q. And this audit that was conducted was conducted of RJ Lee, true?	8	• • •
10	A. Yes.	10	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. THE WITNESS: That's what it
11	Q. And part of the audit	11	
12		12	reads, yes. BY MS. O'DELL:
13	process has this observation rating classification, the most serious of which	13	
13 14	is entitled critical.	1	Q. They had no current TM 7024
		14	for asbestos testing at the site. And RJ
15 16	Do you see that?	15	Lee indicated that the test method was
	A. Yes, I do.	16	not optimal for asbestos testing. So
17	Q. And, "An observation is	17	they had not been evidently not been
18	defined as critical when any one or more	18	using it; is that correct?
19	of the following conditions apply: One,	19	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
20	any nonconformance or noncompliance that	20	THE WITNESS: Yes, that's
21	already has or if allowed to continue	21	what it indicates here, yes. I
22	presents a high risk of adversely	22	might add RJ Lee did in fact
23	affecting product performance, safety,	23	respond to all of these and these
24	therapeutic efficacy, or regulatory	24	documents were unavailable because
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1	requirements.	1	the people that manage the
2	"Two, the observation	2	document control system for RJ Lee
3	represents the complete absence and/or	3	were not there the day of the
4	systematic application of one or more	4	audit and were not able to pull
5	quality system elements or system	5	them up on their system. But if
6	components necessary to meet regulatory	6	you had their response and
7	requirements.	7	corrective action, you'd be able
8	"Three, the observation is a	8	to see that.
9	repeated major relates to failure to meet	9	BY MS. O'DELL:
10	a commitment made to the regulatory	10	Q. The critical nature of the
11	authority."	11	observation was such that it wasn't
12	Turn over to the next page,	12	despite RJ Lee's response, the critical
13	Mr. Hicks.	13	observation was not amended to be removed
14	By the way, did you review	14	by the audit team, was it?
15	this in preparation for your deposition?	15	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
16	A. I have seen this one, yes.	16	THE WITNESS: It was
17	Q. And RJ Lee received a	17	responded to by RJ Lee and
18	critical observation in relation to	18	reviewed by the audit team.
19	certain testing methods, true?	19	BY MS. O'DELL:
0.0	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to	20	Q. And there was no change in
20		21	the audit report following RJ Lee's
20 21	form.		the addit report following to zee s
		22	response to the audit, correct?
21	form. THE WITNESS: They did receive a critical observation in		

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1	written. We respond to the statements.	1	just say this.
2	Q. All right. So without a	2	RJ Lee was being considered
3	change to the audit report, a critical	3	to be a testing lab for release purposes,
4	observation remained on RJ Lee's record,	4	true?
5	if you will, within Johnson & Johnson?	5	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
6	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	6	THE WITNESS: They were
7	THE WITNESS: That's my	7	being considered for not for
8	recollection, yes.	8	release purposes, but for
9	BY MS. O'DELL:	9	monitoring of talc across the
10	Q. And based on that audit,	10	globe.
11	which had not only that critical finding,	11	(Document marked for
12	but other negative findings, a	12	identification as Exhibit
13	determination was made within Johnson &	13	Hicks-25.)
14	Johnson that RJ Lee could not be	14	BY MS. O'DELL:
15	classified as a GMP release test lab,	15	Q. I'll show you what I've
16	true?	16	marked as Exhibit 25. This e-mail is
17	A. Based upon the initial	17	dated April 16, 2012. Excuse me. Yes,
18	comments from the audit, that was the	18	April 16, 2012. Excuse file. 1 cs,
19	conclusion. However, RJ Lee did respond.	19	Do you see that?
20	This critical observation was addressed	20	A. I do see that.
21	very, very quickly by them. Most of it	21	Q. After the audit of RJ Lee.
22	was miscommunication between the auditor	22	And it is written by Michael Hollweck, a
23	and the folks that were available on	23	•
24	site.	24	quality assurance manager to yourself,
24	Site.	24	Mark Zappa, and Tom Himmelsbach.
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1	Q. That was not my question,	1	Do you see that?
2	sir.	2	A. Yes, I do.
3	A. But it's important to have	3	Q. And Mr. Hollweck writes,
4	the context, I think.	4	"All, please see the attached audit
5	Q. Okay. I think your	5	report for the audit conducted by myself
6	question your response does not	6	and Sue Butler of RJ Lee as a release
7	your answer was not responsive to my	7	testing facility."
8	question. So let me just ask you again.	8	Does that refresh your
9	There was a critical	9	memory that RJ Lee was being considered
10	observation on RJ Lee's audit, true?	10	as a release testing facility?
11	A. Yes.	11	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
12	Q. RJ Lee responded, true?	12	Foundation.
13	A. Yes, they did.	13	THE WITNESS: I think
	Q. That observation of critical	14	Mr. Michael Hollweck was confused.
14			
14 15	deficiencies remained on the audit after	15	They were not being considered for
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1	critical observation."	1	had one critical, three major
2	Did I read that correctly?	2	observations, and three minor
3	A. You did.	3	observations, true?
4	Q. In addition to the critical	4	A. That's correct.
5	observation in the audit that we've just	5	Q. Couldn't call that a
6	been talking about, Mr. Hicks, RJ Lee	6	positive audit, could you?
7	also had two other major negative	7	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
8	observations and three other minor	8	THE WITNESS: I think the
9	observations, true?	9	term "positive" is very general.
10	A. Yes.	10	I think typically when we do
11	Q. And a major observation is,	11	audits we have findings and RJ Lee
12	"Any nonconformance or noncompliance that	12	responded to those findings.
13	if allowed to continue has a moderate	13	BY MS. O'DELL:
14		14	
	risk of adversely affecting product	15	Q. Findings that were negative
15	performance, safety, therapeutic efficacy		and that called into question the testing
16	or regulatory requirements. The	16	being performed at their lab, true?
17	observation represents the significant	17	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
18	gap and/or gaps in application of one or	18	THE WITNESS: I don't
19	more quality systems, elements, or system	19	believe so. We continued to use
20	components necessary to meet regulatory	20	those results, continued to use RJ
21	requirements. This includes systemic	21	Lee, and those corrective actions
22	lack of documented evidence of	22	were addressed. Either they
23	application and the key elements, any	23	turned out to not be accurate, or
24	isolated noncompliance in not reporting,	24	they were corrected.
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2	March 21-22, 2016?	2	release testing. And that was
3	A. Yes, it is.	3	very clear from my question. I
4	Q. If you'll turn to Page 2,	4	just asked for the purpose of the
5	audit detail at the top of the page.	5	audit.
6	According to this, the purpose of the	6	BY MS. O'DELL:
7	audit was as follows:	7	Q. And so we're clear,
8	"The site was audited to	8	Mr. Hicks, the purpose of this audit was
9	requirements of the FDA and Johnson &	9	to assess whether to assess the firm's
10	Johnson. An assessment was conducted for	10	overall capabilities to successfully
11	the firm's overall capabilities to	11	perform analytical testing of J&J samples
12	successfully perform analytical testing	12	to regulatory and J&J specifications,
13	of J&J samples to regulatory and J&J	13	requirements, and expectations. That's
14	specifications, requirements and	14	the stated purpose of this audit, true?
15	expectations."	15	A. It is, yes.
16	Was that the purpose of the	16	Q. Was a rating assigned to RJ
17	audit of RJ Lee by Johnson & Johnson?	17	Lee as a result of this audit?
18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	18	A. An audit rating was
19	THE WITNESS: I think it's a	19	assigned, yes.
20	general statement. It is. It	20	Q. And that rating was
21	does not say for release testing,	21	marginal?
22	which is not the case with RJ Lee.	22	A. Yes, it was.
23	BY MS. O'DELL:	23	Q. If you'll turn to Page 10 of
24	Q. I didn't ask you, sir, about	24	14, it lists the observations from the
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2	each test."	2	analysis.
3	So two major observations.	3	Q. But they certainly had a
4	One relating to the cleanliness of the	4	concern that the XRD had not been
5	lab. Second relating to the fact that	5	programmed with specific talc parameters,
6	XRD, one of the XRD machines is not	6	correct?
7	compliant in terms of software	7	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
8	validation.	8	THE WITNESS: The
9	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	9	consequence of that is very much
10	BY MS. O'DELL:	10	unclear. I think the fact that
11	Q. XR did I read that	11	it's reported as a major, not a
12	correctly?	12	critical, suggests that it's not a
13	A. That is the indication from	13	not the strong issue that would
14	reading this document, yes.	14	result in incorrect results.
15	Q. And XRD is one of the major	15	BY MS. O'DELL:
16	types of tests that is performed on talc	16	Q. It doesn't say that on the
17	samples, correct?	17	audit report though, does it?
18	A. Yes, it is.	18	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
19	Q. XRD is performed on every	19	THE WITNESS: No, but the
20	tale sample, correct?	20	definition of a critical
21	A. That's correct.	21	observation is something that
22	Q. And having a machine that	22	would affect the outcome of the
23	has software that has not been validated	23	
24	for specific talc parameters is a major	24	results of the acceptability of the material for release.
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1	concern in terms of the accuracy of the	1	BY MS. O'DELL:
2	testing, correct?	2	Q. And the definition of a
3	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	3	major observation also involves issues of
4	THE WITNESS: I don't know	4	health and safety, correct?
5	that it says here that it's a	5	A. It also does, yes.
6	concern about the accuracy of the	6	Q. If you'll turn to Page 11 of
7	testing.	7	14. This is another major finding
8	BY MS. O'DELL:	8	relating to the testing of talc in the
9	Q. I'm asking you that	9	presence of chrysotile.
10	question. If the software is not	10	Do you see that?
11	validated and it's not programmed to be	11	A. Yes, I do.
12	compliant with talc specifications, that	12	Q. It says, "In several
13	calls into question the results of the	13	instances a CAR" what's a CAR
14	testing performed by that XRD machine?	14	Mr. Hicks, do you know?
15	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	15	A. It's commonly referred to as
16	THE WITNESS: Not not	16	a corrective action request or a report.
17	necessarily. I think the context	17	Q "was not opened to
18	here is unclear, particularly	18	document why there was the presence of
19	without comments from RJ Lee	19	chrysotile, white asbestos, in J&J
20	relative to this observation.	20	analytical reports." It says, "Tracking
21	BY MS. O'DELL:	21	sheet is used to list the sample number,
22	Q. Well, this audit was	22	the initials date of a person who prepped
23	performed by employees of Johnson &	23	the samples and the initial" "and the
24	Johnson, true?	24	initial and the date of the analyst, the

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1	samples are split six ways for PLM, TEM,	1	asking if I read it correctly.
2	XRD, XRF and two P-cup size containers	2	And now I'm going to ask him
3	for CHEM." And then, "In 5756-3, absence	3	further questions about it.
4	of asbestos.	4	I think that's very
5	Then it goes on to say,	5	appropriate.
6	"Sample labels include sample number,	6	MS. SHARKO: I disagree. We
7	product number, or lot.	7	have a judge available. Let's
8	"The lab report stated that	8	call him and find out. This won't
9	for each talc sample number there was no	9	come off of your seven hours.
10	asbestiform minerals detected. The	10	MS. O'DELL: Let's go off
11	report was signed by Craig Huntington,	11	the record.
12	analyst, on 2/11/2016. The tracking	12	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time
13	sheet listed that final proofreading by	13	is now 5:14. Going off the
14	manager was done 2/11/2016, the same day.	14	record.
15	Point count data sheet for the samples	15	(Short break.)
16	indicated that there were no asbestos	16	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time
17	(chrysotile, amosite, crocidolite,	17	is now 5:25. Back on the record.
18	anthrophyllite, tremolite, actinolite) or	18	BY MS. O'DELL:
19	non-asbestos fibers (cellulose,	19	Q. Mr. Hicks, when we went off
20	fiberglass, et cetera).	20	the record, we were discussing the
21	"Polarized light microscopy	21	March 2016 audit by J&J of RJ Lee. And
22	point count worksheet for asbestos	22	we were reviewing an audit finding, a
23	analysis of bulk samples, white talc	23	major audit finding that started on Page
24	powder was reviewed.	24	11 and had continued onto Page 12
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2	THE WITNESS: Yes, the	2	to alert Johnson & Johnson if asbestos
3	question was around the audit	3	fibers were found in a talcum powder
4	observation was around the	4	sample?
5	documentation practices in those	5	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
6	situations.	6	THE WITNESS: Relative to RJ
7	BY MS. O'DELL:	7	Lee?
8	Q. Were the results for the	8	BY MS. O'DELL:
9	initial sample testing for this	9	Q. Yes.
10	particular sample, which was ID'd as	10	A. There was an open dialogue
11	3138494, provided to Johnson & Johnson?	11	between the two principals, including
12	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	12	myself, relative to any issue should be
13	THE WITNESS: I do not know	13	shared immediately if a confirmed issue
14	that.	14	was was determined.
15	BY MS. O'DELL:	15	Q. The two principals that
16	Q. Did RJ Lee make Johnson &	16	you're referring to are yourself and Drew
17	Johnson aware of this retesting of the	17	Van Orden for RJ Lee?
18	sample without proper documentation prior	18	A. Yes.
19	to excuse me. I skipped a word. Let	19	Q. And this open dialogue was
20	me start over.	20	communications between the two of you?
21	Did RJ Lee report to	21	A. Yeah, we communicated on a
22	Johnson & Johnson the positive test	22	regular basis. Yes.
23	result for multiple chrysotile particles	23	Q. All right. But there was no
24	prior to the audit?	24	written policy directing Mr. Van Orden
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2	THE WITNESS: Not to my	2	that needed to be taken if a positive
3	knowledge. No, but it does	3	talc if a talc sample had tested
4	indicate here that it was reported	4	positive for asbestos?
5	in the J&J project report. It's	5	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
6	not clear whether that was a	6	THE WITNESS: Well, the
7	report that was sent to us or not.	7	requirement was none detected. So
8	BY MS. O'DELL:	8	if it was confirmed as being
9	Q. And test results from RJ Lee	9	detected, that would be a failure.
10	would have, according to the normal	10	And failures, of course, would
11	procedure, been provided to your	11	have been reported.
12	department, the quality assurance	12	BY MS. O'DELL:
13	department?	13	Q. And what were what were
14	A. If it was in fact our group	14	the reporting requirements for failed
15	submitting the samples for evaluation.	15	test?
16	R&D as well was submitting samples	16	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
17	independently for evaluation.	17	form.
18	Q. But for quarterly test	18	THE WITNESS: To report it
	results that were excuse me, for	19	immediately.
19		20	BY MS. O'DELL:
20	quarterly tests that were being performed		BT MS. 6 BEEE.
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1 2	excuse me. Strike that.	1 2	Q. Mr. Hicks, let me show you
3	Was there a written policy	3	what I'm going to mark as Exhibit 27. (Document marked for
4	by J&J directing you as to how to handle	4	identification as Exhibit
5	a positive test result for asbestos in	5	Hicks-27.)
6	talcum powder? A. No. There was a written	6	BY MS. O'DELL:
7		7	Q. I've handed you a document
8	policy on how to handle specification	8	
	failures.		entitled "Attestation Regarding Use of
9	MS. SHARKO: Why don't I	9 10	Talc in J&J Body Powders" dated
10 11	suggest setting up a dial-in, say,	11	December 19, 2014. And this is a
	at 7:30 tonight?	12	document that you signed on behalf of
12	MS. O'DELL: That works.	13	Johnson & Johnson as senior director
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	14	North America business quality and
14	Q. Let me ask some questions		compliance, Baby and Caribbean.
15	about Pharma Tech just to make sure I've	15	What is the purpose of this
16	covered that.	16	document?
17	A. Are we moving off this	17	A. There was a request from our
18	exhibit?	18	regulatory team to provide an attestation
19	Q. Yes. Was Pharma Tech	19	regarding which baby powders and
20	qualified for release testing during	20	head-to-toe body powders over the past
21	from 2006 to 2017?	21	13 years contained talc.
22	A. They were qualified to do	22	Q. What regulatory body
23	some release testing, yes.	23	requested this information?
24	Q. But they were not qualified	24	A. I don't specifically recall
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1	A. I think the answer to your	1	BY MS. O'DELL:
2	question is yes. We had asked Imerys to	2	Q. Would all of these all of
3	modify the format of their report, their	3	these tests be performed in Houston?
4	certificate of analysis report to	4	A. Not necessarily.
5	directly correlate to the J&J	5	Q. Which ones may not would
6	specification for the purposes of making	6	not necessarily be performed in Houston?
7	it easier to have this report reviewed	7	A. I can't tell from this
8	upon incoming receipt at Pharma Tech.	8	particular sheet. Maybe that's part of
9	MS. ECHTMAN: I just want to	9	Page 2. I'm not sure. But they do not
10	point out that this document	10	have the test lab indicated. It looks
11	appears to be incomplete. It says	11	like they were potentially using Nova
12	Page 1 of 2, and we only have one	12	Biologicals in Texas for the composite
13	page.	13	sample for a lot number.
14	MS. O'DELL: You know, I	14	Q. Would you repeat the name of
15	just we printed a full I	15	that lab?
16	don't know that it came up in the	16	A. It's listed here as Nova
17	Relativity, our document system,	17	Biologicals. So it's a little difficult
18	as more than one page. So I think	18	to tell. In the right-hand column they
19	it was produced as one page. I'll	19	list the lab number reference, and they
20	be happy to look. But it's my	20	list the lab as one through four. Yet
21	belief that it was produced as one	21	the test lab codes only indicate Labs 1
22	page only, not a two-page	22	through 2. So I think without the second
23	document.	23	page, the second page probably had that
24	MS. ECHTMAN: You'll have to	24	additional reference for Labs 3 and 4.
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2	MS. O'DELL: I certainly	2	sold in North America?
3	don't speak Chinese.	3	A. It is not.
4	MS. ECHTMAN: If you've got	4	Q. Okay. What what country,
5	a certified translation, maybe we	5	if you know, was that talc being tested
6	can work with the document.	6	to be sold in?
7	MS. O'DELL: I'm just I'm	7	A. Well, just to be clear,
8	working with what was produced to	8	there are multiple certificates of
9	us. Let me show it to you.	9	analysis that are included here. There
10	(Document marked for	10	are ones from the talc supplier for
11	identification as Exhibit	11	India, for Thailand, and so and
12	Hicks-31.)	12	Brazil. So this is a compilation of a
13	BY MS. O'DELL:	13	number of certificates that are provided
14	Q. It's Exhibit Number 31. Is	14	from tale suppliers around the world for
15	that a certificate of analysis for	15	their local market.
16	testing that was performed on Baby Powder	16	Q. Okay. Thank you.
17	to be used in excuse me, talc to be	17	Mr. Hicks, let me see if I can short
18	used in Baby Powder?	18	circuit this just for a moment.
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2	THE WITNESS: No. That	2	was in the communications
3	would have been outside of my	3	public communications side of the
4	scope. As I said, those would go	4	business.
5	directly to the medical department	5	BY MS. O'DELL:
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	for review, reach outs, if needed for more information.		Q. What was the purpose of
7		7	escalating this ovarian cancer complaint?
8	BY MS. O'DELL:	8	A. At the time we had a new
9	Q. Let me show you what I've	9	policy for escalating any serious
10	marked as, I think are we at 33 or 32?	10	complaints or events, and that policy,
11	A. 33.	11	when it was initially issued, there was a
12	(Document marked for	12	bit of confusion relative to these types
13	identification as Exhibit	13	of complaints and whether we needed to
14	Hicks-32.)	14	escalate every one. This was by 2014
15	BY MS. O'DELL:	15	already something that we were aware of
16	Q. So Exhibit 33. This is a	16	and the policy was changed to, we would
17	MR. LAPINSKI: I have 32.	17	escalate new issues, but not the
18	MS. ECHTMAN: I have 32. If	18	continuation of existing types of issues.
19	you can pass around a copy that	19	Q. Would ovarian cancer at this
20	would be great.	20	time be a continuing issue?
21	MS. O'DELL: I just marked	21	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
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23	THE WITNESS: Do you want to	23	the witness answer outside of the
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2	Q. Okay. What standard	2	North America leadership team, who is
3	operating procedure are you referring to	3	included in that group?
4	when you say it recently changed in this	4	A. So at this time, you would
5	time period of 2014?	5	have had, for example, mostly vice
6	A. A	6	presidential level individuals on this
7	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. Go	7	team. It might be marketing, sales, R&D,
8	ahead.	8	quality, so it was a very high level team
9	THE WITNESS: There was a	9	looking at overall functioning of the
10	revision to our issue escalation	10	businesses.
11	policy in terms of what needed to	11	Q. Were the executive vice
12	be escalated to various levels of	12	presidents to be a part of that team?
13		13	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection to
14	management. And at this time there was	14	the form.
15		15	THE WITNESS: Vice
	some question as to exactly how to	1	
16	handle this type of complaint	16	presidents were part of that team,
17	coming in, whether it was a	17	yes.
18	repetitive type of event.	18	BY MS. O'DELL:
19	BY MS. O'DELL:	19	Q. Would members of management
20	Q. Did that policy have a	20	above the vice presidential level be a
21	standard operating procedure number?	21	part of that team?
22	A. It did.	22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.
23	Q. Do you recall what the	23	THE WITNESS: Yes. I would
24	number of the policy was that was at	24	say that there's I believe
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1	issue in this time frame of June 2014?	1	there's only one level above the
2	A. No, I do not.	2	vice presidential level and that's
3	Q. Was the name of the policy	3	president. And there's only one
4	an issue escalation policy?	4	president.
5	A. It would if you were	5	BY MS. O'DELL:
6	searching, it would have the term	6	Q. And so the president of
7	"escalation" in the policy.	7	Johnson & Johnson would participate in
8		8	these North American leadership team
9	Q. What is issue escalation? What does that mean?	9	meetings?
10	A. It's ensuring that	10	A. Johnson & Johnson Consumer
11	executive that management, executive	11	U.S.
12		12	Q. Do
13	management are aware that there is a	13	
	serious issue that's been reported or	1	MS. ECHTMAN: Can you let us
14	that's found. It might not be a customer	14	know where we are on time?
15	complaint. It might be an out of spec	15	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're at
16	result. In this case it was a customer	16	just about seven in about
17	complaint.	17	30 seconds. We're at seven hours
18	Q. What is what does the	18	and 29 seconds right now.
	acronym NALT stand for, N-A-L-T?	19	MS. O'DELL: Okay. I'll
19			stop.
19 20	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	20	
19 20 21	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection. THE WITNESS: This refers to	21	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time
19 20 21 22	MS. ECHTMAN: Objection.	21 22	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is now 6:09. Going off the
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9		9	the errata sheet and date it.
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11		11	to the changes you have noted on the
12		12	errata sheet, which will be attached to
13		13	your deposition.
14		14	It is imperative that you
15		15	return the original errata sheet to the
16		16	deposing attorney within thirty (30) days
17		17	of receipt of the deposition transcript
18		18	by you. If you fail to do so, the
19		19	deposition transcript may be deemed to be
20		20	accurate and may be used in court.
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     Seventeenth Street, Suite 3400, Denver, Colorado, on
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1	findings?	1	that sample for that lot is sent directly to
2	A. The testing is just done to show or	2	Johnson & Johnson.
3	confirm that our testing that we did in the U.S	3	Q. Is that a requirement of Imerys of spec?
4	that we get the SEM result. In Toulouse, they use	4	Is that why you do that?
5	different instrumentation. So we just it's part	5	A. I believe it is.
6	of our protocol, or program, is to have periodic	6	Q. Do you know why Johnson & Johnson
7	tests. Cross-checks we call them.	7	required that specification that they get a direct
8	Q. Is Imerys' testing in Toulouse, this	8	sample of your ore for testing?
9	rotational testing, is that done on composite	9	A. Well, it's not I mean, it's a product
10	samples of the ore stream from Houston?	10	at this point, so
11	A. It is done on the it is done on a	11	Q. It's milled?
12	monthly composite, yes.	12	A. It's a milled product, yes, as the
13	Q. And so I might ask you a better	13	railcar is be filled, so
14	question.	14	Q. Do you know why?
15	How about the monthly composite? Could you	15	A. I it was just part of the
16	describe that composite for me, please?	16	specifications. My understanding is that
17	A. When we the Houston lab has	17	Johnson & Johnson does its own suite of tests on
18	designated representative products, meaning	18	that.
19	products that represent the different ore streams.	19	Q. With respect to Imerys France, does
20	And these are samples are taken at the Houston	20	Imerys France ever send to Imerys America the
21	mill each time a product is milled. And at the end	21	results of its testing of Chinese ore, talc ore?
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	of the month, that composite sample for that		A. Yes, it does.
23	product is sent to Denver or it was Denver, now	23	Q. How often?
24	San Jose. So it's a it represents a monthly	24	A. We do the cross-check analysis with
25	composite of a product that represents a specific	25	approximately the same frequency well, I think
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2	So can we back up and talk about that again?	2	pre-floated samples taken
3	What I'm trying to establish is how often	3	A. Correct.
4	you are testing those samples of talc being sent to	4	Q in Vermont?
5	Johnson & Johnson, and if a representative sample	5	A. Correct.
6	of all the shipments of talc being sent to	6	Q. Is that done on every load of talc
7	Johnson & Johnson are being tested.	7	that's brought out of the mine?
8	So let's start back with Vermont talc. So	8	MR. KLATT: Objection; form.
9	before 2003, when Imerys started importing Chinese	9	A. And Pat Downey does know more about
10	talc, were samples being tested on a regular basis	10	this, I believe, than I do, but my understanding is
11	by TEM prior to 2003?	11	that as the pre-floated material is going through
12	A. Prior to 2003, the program was to do TEM	12	its first crushing step, that composite samples are
13	on post-milled samples on a quarterly basis.	13	already automatically or individual samples are
14	Q. Okay. Can I stop you right there	14	automatically taken during that process and then
15	A. Yes.	15	composited and ground for analysis by TEM.
16	Q just so I can break that down?	16	Q. (By Mr. Dearing) And I think you told
17	So when you say "post-milled samples," that	17	me yesterday that's done so that you could analyze
18	means that talc has already been shipped to	18	the talc before you went through all the trouble of
19	Johnson & Johnson?	19	milling and floating and all of that in case you
20	A. The TEM testing is after the product is	20	discovered some impurities, right?
21	made and after it is shipped, yes.	21	A. It's a way of keeping track and
22	Q. And we're talking about Vermont talc	22	monitoring what the ore is looking like.
23	prior to 2003?	23	Q. So the monthly composite testing that
24	A. Yes. At some point, it was quarterly.	24	takes place before it's milled by TEM, has Imerys
25	I have even older records that indicate there was a	25	maintained those records?
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1	time period we were doing this monthly as well.	1	A. As much as we have been able to compile,
2	Q. And didn't you testify yesterday that	2	yes.
3	there was also some TEM sample testing taking place	3	Q. What does that mean?
4	before it was milled?	4	A. We have the records, and the reports we
5	A. Yes.	5	just they're there were some gaps in the
6	Q. And before it was floated?	6	reporting. We weren't able to find every single
7	A. Yes.	7	report, is all I am saying.
8	Q. Okay. How was every sample tested by	8	Q. What about the samples? Are those
9	TEM before it's milled and floated?	9	samples preserved? And I'm talking about the
10	A. That was also a monthly composite.	10	pre-2003 Vermont talc, pre-milling TEM testing
11	Q. How were the monthly composites	11	samples.
12	accumulated?	12	A. We did not start saving samples
13		13	indefinitely until 2002 time frame.
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5 we could have that returned. We're marking as 27 5 Q. Do you have that docum	nent, Exhibit 27,
6 another exhibit. 6 ma'am?	
7 Q. (By Mr. Green) But before we get to 7 A. I have this document. D	oid you say what
8 that exhibit, Miss Pier, I have some factual 8 page?	
9 questions that you might be able to answer. 9 Q. I didn't. I just want to m	nake sure that
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that there was a TEM quarterly backlog of samples 11 it's now the new exhibit, number	r 27.
12 since 2001? 12 Do you have that in front of	you?
A. There was a period of time that we had a 13 A. I do have this exhibit, ye	es.
backlog of those samples, yes.	ites number 130369.
Q. And that backlog had existed since 2001; 15 Do you see that at the bottom	m of the first
16 is that correct? 16 page?	
17 MR. KLATT: Objection; form. 17 A. I do, yes.	
A. I don't have the exact range of dates. Q. And this is Luzenac Am	erica Business
19 It was the end of 2001, I believe, to 2002 or 2003 19 Development and Marketing Gro	oup document of
time period. It was approximately two years, maybe 20 June 2004; do you see that?	
21 slightly more than two years. 21 MR. GREEN: Thank you fe	or calling that out,
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23 were backlogged strike that. 23 Q. Do you see that, ma'am's	?
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14:48:46	1	A Approximately, yes.
14:48:48	2	Q Now, a nanogram is do you want to convert it to
14:48:54	3	grams for us?
14:48:55	4	A .001 gram, I believe.
14:48:59	5	Q It's one it's a 10 millionth of a gram. It takes
14:49:07	6	10 million of those to make 1 gram, right?
14:49:11	7	A It does.
14:49:12	8	Q So you have to do 10 million of those tests to
14:49:19	9	get to test 1 gram, to get 1 gram, right?
14:49:24	10	A Yes.
14:49:25	11	Q And so you've got a bottle like this, 623 grams.
14:49:34	12	Right? 623 grams?
14:49:40	13	A Yes.
14:49:41	14	Q All right. So 10 million to get 1 gram, and we
14:49:46	15	need 623 of those to test that bottle. That means you've
14:49:52	16	got to test that bottle is going to take 6,230,000,000
14:50:12	17	tests if you don't concentrate it, isn't it?
14:50:18	18	A If you do your math, yes. But if you put it in
14:50:23	19	the context, that is one of the three tests done, and it
14:50:25	20	still looks at many, many, many thousands of particles under
14:50:28	21	that microscope. Statistically you would pick it up if it
14:50:32	22	were there.
14:50:32	23	Q No, no, no. First of all, you and Mr. Bicks did
14:50:35	24	this during the exam already. Y'all acted like you do three
14:50:40	25	tests on every sample, every eight hours, every shift, every

week, every month, for decades. That is flat out false, 14:50:45 1 14:50:49 2 isn't it? 14:50:50 3 No, what you do --Α 14:50:52 4 Q Is that a yes or no, is that true or false? 14:50:55 The samples are taken every hour. They're 5 A 14:51:01 6 combined composite and the samples are taken from a 14:51:06 composite to test. 7 14:51:10 8 Y'all did not do tests, all three tests, on all of 0 your samples for decades. You didn't do that, did you? 14:51:14 9 14:51:18 10 Α No, initially --14:51:19 11 Q Thank you. It wasn't done in every single batch. 14:51:20 12 Α 14:51:23 13 Q Not even close? But TEM was being done on batches since 1972, '73 14:51:24 14 Α 14:51:28 15 time frame. 14:51:29 16 Uh-huh. And you still haven't done enough to even Q 14:51:31 17 get into a small bottle. That's just going to take forever, 14:51:35 18 hundreds of thousands to millions of years, right? 14:51:40 19 We test every bottle that goes on the market on Α the shelf. 14:51:43 20 Q 14:51:43 21 Give me one. 14:51:44 22 But the methodology is that you don't need to do Α 14:51:47 23 that level of testing. You can show whether or not there's 14:51:51 24 asbestos there or anything else by taking composite samples, 14:51:55 25 taking a representative portion of that and testing that.

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Q And testing one 10 millionth of a gram and it explains why y'all can't rarely find it, yet anybody else that's pulling it off the shelves who concentrates it can find immediately, you think?

A No.

Q All right. Let's keep going. Sir, in the interest of my time, let's keep going. You not only -- is that the where, not only was the approach the wrong approach everywhere, the amount's super small, but even the lab of last resort didn't help.

You know what I mean by the lab of last resort?

- A No, but I'm sure you'll explain.
- Q Do you remember how y'all had this process where one lab finds it positive and you send it to a second lab, if they find asbestos, as a last resort you send it to RJ Lee and let their lab determine it.
 - A Is that a question?
 - Q Yeah. Do you remember that?
 - A No.

MR. LANIER: Your Honor, I'm going to get copies for folks, and if you would assign a number to that.

And I'll just ask the questions without the document right now. If you want the document, we'll put it up here, sir.

Q (By Mr. Lanier) The truth of the matter is, at one point, Johnson & Johnson went in and did an audit of the